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"I found them when I heard the baby crying," Ardizzone said. "The old woman was unconscious, but it must have been concussion because she's okay now."

Ardizzone's "guarding" consisted of waving flies away from the old lady and feeding K ration candy to the receptive baby.

Prelanding reconnaissance photographs showed enemy amphibious tanks on Geruma island. Scouting Americans later discovered the "tanks" were papier mache dum

before meeting any opposition was terrible.

Later that day they found 500 Roberts sa frightened civilians hiding in a

other end tied to a small tree. She of the many limestone walls around had leaned forward with her feet the houses of Geruma village on the ground, putting the houses of Geruma village tight about her neck until she strangled.

Some Dic By Grenades

"What appeared to be her whole family was lying on the ground in front of her, all strangled, and each covered with a dirty blanket.

"Farther on there were dozens of people who had killed themselves with grenades. The ground was littered with other unexploded grenades. There were six dead Japanese soldiers and two others, badly wounded.

"Medics took the wounded soldiers back to the beach. I saw one little boy with a big V-shaped gash in the back of his head who was walking around. A doctor told me On Yakabi island the Americans the child couldn't possibly live and pushed half way up jagged peaks would die any minute of shock. It

> Roberts said doctors were giving morphine to the dying to ease the

American litter bearers trying to

in the Keramas, said he saw boys

"The boys were armed with knives tied to bamboo sticks," said Stringer, who earlier had chased and captured a Japanese.

Jap Resistance Wholly Absent At Start Of Invasion

By VERN HAUGLAND

Aboard Vice Admiral R. K. Tur-(A)—The United States 10th ty of room for reserve supplies. Army landing today on Okinawa's southwestern beach met no resist-

But about an hour after the landing the Japanese hurled some light mortar and artillery fire against date. two beaches. The guns were quickly silenced. American casualties were very light. There also was one brief on the eastern side of the island, tank skirmish at the northern end

Dozen Villages Seized

Within four hours the Marines and soldiers had captured two of Okinawa's three operational airdromes and over a dozen villages. from which most of the occupants had fled inland to escape the furious naval and air bombardment.

much as 3,500 yards by noon. Army elements advanced along the beach to take the sizable village of Chatan.

A.M. had engulfed the Yontan marine airfield with its three runways

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Okinawa. Participating in the do it. greatest Pacific amphibious operation, involving more than 1,400 troops, in taking Chatan, south of ships, the troops landed virtually the beachhead, and high ground without casualties.

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The troops pushed inland as

The American advance by 10.30

watched the operations with Vice Sunday, no Japanese planes came commander of Fleet Amphibious Forces, from the flagbridge of this

More than 500 American carrier planes were over Okinawa by 10 ship from daybreak on as planes and men of war sent rockets, Dump Fires Blaze bombs and shells into low-lying

Throughout the day-long bombardment, Okinawa blossomed with fuel-dump fires and terrific explosions inland and far to the south island as hundreds of landing craft The Japanese failed to return the set out in bright sunlight across fire of American ships and did not molest the low-flying planes.

Troops took the Tontan field and Zachini, Hanza, Sobe, Furugen and Hogus villages.

Across the Bishigawa River, the corps dividing line, other units took also Nugun, Nozato, Sakugawa, Fuenzan and Sunabe. The villages "We also expected the Jap air largely were deserted. American

> Men Who Lead At Okinawa

Guam, Apri' 1 (AP)-These are the commanders of the amphibious operation begun today against Okinawa, as announced by Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz:

Admiral Raymond A. Spruance, USN, commander of the 5th U.S. Pacific Fleet, in over-all tactical

Vide Abriral Bichmond Kelly Turner, USA commanding Amphib-ious Forces, Pacific Fleet, in command of the amphibious phase of the operation.

Lieut. Gen. Simon Bolivar Buckner, Jr., USA, commander, new 10th Army.

Vice Admiral Sir Bernard Raw ings. Royal Navy, commanding British Pacific Task Force which supported landings by bombing and shelling Sakishima Islands, southernmost of Ryukyus.

Maj. Gen. John R. Hodge, USA, commander 24th Army Corps.

Maj. Gen. Roy S. Geiger, USMC, commander Marine 3d Amphibious Corps.

Rear Admiral I. N. Kiland, USN, commander of amphibious landings of Kerama Rhetto group off southvestern Okinawa.

Maj. Gen. Andrew D. Bruce, USA, commander 77th Army Infantry Division.

Rear Admiral W. H. P. Blandy, USN, commander naval support force.

Rear Admiral M. L. Deyo, USN, commander battleships forming principal support element which bombarded Ryukyus.

Vice Admiral Marc A. Mitscher, He likes a drink with a conge-USN, commander fast carrier task forces supporting over-all opera-

Rear Admiral C. L. Durgin, USN, commander escort carriers.

Buckner, Invader Of Ryukyus, Son Of Confederate General

mander of America's new 10th Army, which has invaded Okinawa, is the son of a Confederate general and Kentucky Governor named for South America's liberator,

Bolivar.
The General Gistst there is only one way to speed the end of the Pacific war—"kill more Japs—and faster. The faster you kill them the quicker the war will be over. The man who kills the most Japs is my man.

The General's father and General Grant studied together at West Point, only to clash later at Fort Donelson in the Civil War. The senior Buckner fought stubbornly even after two of his superiors fled, but he finally was forced to surrended his garrison to Grant.

Built Alaska Defenses

General Buckner not only has a background of warfare, but also has had some practical experience in killing Japanese.

As the builder of the defenses of Alaska and the near-by Aleutians he had surprises awaiting the Japanese at Dutch Harbor in 1942.

He had gone to North Pacific outposts in 1940 and worked quietly behind the scenes, and when the Japanese struck toward Alaska on June 3, 1942, they were hit by landbased planes from Buckner's base west of Dutch Harbor.

American offensive of May, 1943.

Organized 10th Army

Then Buckner dropped from sight in June, 1944, and began organization of the 10th Army. As over-all commander of army, navy air and marine elements, he insists that "we have harmony and we are going to maintain it."

The rugged, ruddy - faced. soldierly General has a very human interest in ordinary people. Once in Alaska a carpenter friend invited him to dinner.

Meanwhile, invitations from higher-ups to more elaborate affairs arrived, but the General said, sorry-and ate with the carpenter.

likes to hunt. He even enjoys listening to tall stories of fishermen

He smokes two or three packs of Guam, April P(A)—Lieut. Gen. cigarettes a day and then suddenly Simon Bolivar Buckner, Jr., com- will stop for as long as three months just to show that he can do without.

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Inspects Mess Halls

General Buckner likes to pop in unexpectedly and inspect his men's mess halls. If the food is good the mess sergeant gets a pat on the back. If not, all concerned catch it.

When two types of Arctic boots were proposed for Alaska, the General tried one kind on his right foot and the other on his left foot, going for long hikes over rocks and ice to see which was best for the soldiers. He also tested sleeping bags in 60-below weather.

Buckner is in excellent physical condition at 58 and takes it with men 30 years his junior.

He entered Virginia Military Institute in 1902 at the age of 16 and West Point in 1904. He has served in the Philippines. As a captain he commanded aviation training brigades at Kelly Field, Texas, in

Taught At West Point

After World War I the General taught infantry tactics at West Point and in the following years filled several instructional posts as well as infantry commands.

Buckner's wife, the former Adele Blanc, of Louisville, Ky., is living in San Francisco for the duration

His oldest son, Simon 3d, is a The Japanese aircraft and sur- captain in the Signal Corps in Euface ships fell back on bleak Attu rope. A younger son, William, is a and Kiska and finally were driven cadet at West Point. A daughter, clear out of the Aleutians in the Mary, is in the San Francisco Red Cross office.

Invasion Cash Issued To Yanks On Ryukyus

En Route to Ryukyu Islands, March 27 [AP-Delayed]-American Army and Marine assault troops in the Ryukyu Islands were issued American invasion currency of Japanese denomination for the first time in the Western Pacific

Navy Lieutenant (jg) Roberts. Oswego, See. Supply Corps Fice in the rege of issuing the new noney, exchanged crisp sen and yen notes for American greenbacks He is a great outdoorsman and for a long line of soldiers, Marines and sailors.

Invasion bills were issued in six denominations-10 and 50 sen and 1, 5, 10 and 20 yen. The exchange was at the rate of 10 cents for a

children strangled with strips of cloth torn from their tattered clothing. The only sounds came from little children who were wounded but not dead. In all there were nearly 200 individuals.

strangled herself by tying a thin rope around her neck, with the

Jap Civilians In Ryukyus End Lives To Escape 'Barbarians' Tokashiki Jima, Ryukyu Islands, evacuate wounded Japanese to an

cide rather than face American Infantrymen put him out of action "barbarians," greeted Yank landing and the aid work continued. forces on this island today.

Alexander Roberts, he described is an most horrible I ever witnessed.

We had climbed over tortuous trails leading to the northern end for the night," he said. "I heard terrible screaming, crying and wailing unharmed and well treated.

which lasted into early morning. Dying Japs Discovered

"Two scouts went out when it became light to check on the screams. They were both shot. Just before, I had seen six or eight grenade bursts up ahead.

"Finally we came into the clearing, which was littered with dead and dying Japanese, so close together I couldn't walk between them without stepping on them.

"I saw at least 40 women and

'There was one woman who had

March 29 [AP-Delayed]—An apaid station on the beach were mapalling pile of civilian Japanese chine-gunned by a Nipponese soldead and dying, who preferred sui- dier hidden in a cave on the trail.

Japanese who had recovered sufficiently to answer questions told army photographer from New York interpreters that Japanese soldiers city, was with the first scouting told them the Americans would patrol to reach the scene, which violate and torture the women and kill the men. They were amazed when Americans gave them medi-

cal aid, food and shelter. One old man who had strangled of the island and had bivouacked his daughter was filled with remorse when he saw other women

"Pretty Scared But Docile"

Lieut. (jg) Keith Whitehouse, USNR Medical Corps, of Detroit, said he treated 70 civilian women and children and two wounded soldiers at an aid station on the beach before they were evacuated to a refugee camp on Zamami

He said they were "pretty scared but docile. One of the soldiers gave us a little trouble but somebody bopped him on the helmet and he quieted down.

American soldiers of this 77th Division could not believe until 2,500 yards inland from the norththey saw with their own eyes such ern beachhead, and the Kadena fanaticism-that Japanese civilians army airstrip 4,700 yards south of as well as soldiers prefer suicide to Yontan.

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Sees Boys Carrying Knives Lieut. John Robert Stringer, of Chicago, officer of the 305th Infantry Regiment, which participated in the 77th Division landing

14 to 17 years old fleeing into the elongated Okinawa. hills with Japanese soldiers.

placid waters.

General Buckner said he kept his fingers crossed until the first waves had landed. When there still was no material resistance two hours later he said, "This is gravy. We expected a tough time with the wide the Kadena airstrip and town and reef, high seawalls and heavy shore

Smoke Obscures Island

Smoke almost obscured

force to hit us with everything they tanks crawling over checkerboard could from all the fields they have fields were visible from this ship. got. Undoubtedly we will have a tough time ahead but this was an easy landing-it's gravy."

All combat troops of both corps were ashore by 11.15 A.M. Artillery also was ashore.

Buckner said the Japanese had ner's Flagship off Okinawa, April given him space to move and plen-

Admiral Turner Elated

Admiral Turner wore an elated ance whatever at the outset. It had expected the landing to be the most difficult in the Pacific to date.

grin, but said soberly, "It is going ahead very favorably. You cannot say our boys are ahead of schedule The Americans came ashore because they don't fight on schedalong 9,000 yards of beach 7 to 10 ule. They set themselves an imposmiles north of Naha, capital of sible task and then go ahead and

Nevertheless, by midday the to the west of the airfields, includling a village, achieved objectives tentatively assigned for a later

One American plane crashed in flames on Okinawa. Another landed but the three occupants of the torpedo-bomber walked to Nakagusuku Bay and rowed in a rubber boat until they were rescued by a

Catalina seaplane.

Japs Reported In Hills No figures were announced on Japanese casualties, but civilians started trickling into American lines, most of them elderly people who had hid in caves.

Two English-speaking Japanese formerly of Honolulu, said the Japanese soldiers took to the hills two days earlier to escape terrific naval

gun fire.

The only Japanese plane-attack came in the early-morning darkness when about a dozen aircraft tried to get ir. American night fighters shot down nine of them while ack-ack accounted for two. No Yank ships were damaged.

Despite the clear, sunny Easte

The largest of the bills, the 20yen note, is about the same size as American currency. The other bills are half as long.

Communiques on Okinawa

following communique, No. 317, port of the Okinawa attack. from his headquarters:

amphibious operation of the war U. S. N. in the Pacific to date.

U. S. N., commander of the 5th participating in the attack are Fleet, is in over-all tactical com- under command of Vice-Admiral mand of the operation. The am- Marc A. Mitscher, U. S. N. The esphibious phase of the operation is cort carriers which are supporting under command of Vice-Admiral the attack are under command of Richmond Kelly Turner, U. S. N., Rear Admiral C. T. Durgin, U. S. N. commander amphibious forces, "9. More than 1,400 ships are Pacific Fleet. The 10th Army is involved in the operation. The under command of Lieutenant landings were preceded by and General Simon Bolivar Buckner are being covered by heavy gun-

ships and landing craft of the Pacific Fleet. United States car-United States 5th Fleet supported rier aircraft are providing close by the guns and aircraft of that support for the ground troops. said:

rier task force under Vice-Admiral 20th Air Force.

General John R. Hodge, U. S. A., losses. and the marines of the 3d Am-U. S. M. C.

The amphibious phases of this pre- and against Japan itself. As our Superfortresses Hits Military sisted of the 77th Army Division, and proficiency our final decisive under command of Major General victory is assured."

GUAM, April I (via Navy Radio) Andrew D. Bruce, U. S. A. The (P).—Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, capture of these outposts was comcommander in chief of the United pleted prior to the main landings States Pacific Fleet and of Pacific on Okinawa and heavy artillery is Ocean Areas, issued here today the now emplaced there and in sup-

"7. The amphibious support "1. The United States 10th force is under command of Rear Army, whose principal ground ele- Admiral W. H. P. Blandy, U. S. N., ments include the 24th Army who was also present at the cap-Corps and the marine 3d Amphibi- ture of the Kerama group of ous Corps, invaded the west coast islands and in general charge of of the Island of Okinawa, in the those operations. The battleships Ryukyus, in great force on the which form the principal gunfire morning of April 1, east longitude support element are commanded date. This landing is the largest by Rear Admiral M. L. Deyo,

"8. Fast carrier task forces of "2. Admiral R. A. Spruance, the U. S. Pacific Fleet which are

fire from battleships, cruisers and "3. The landings were made by light units of the United States Strategic support is being given

enemy positions in the Sakishima according to plan. The troops, ed the attack in the early morning who went ashore at 0830 Tokyo hours of April 2 (Japanese time). time, advanced inland rapidly and "Further details will be announc-

"11. The capture of Iwo Island phibious Corps are commanded by gave us an air base only 660 miles Major General Roy S. Geiger, from Tokyo and greatly intensifled our air attack on Japan. The "6. The attack on Okinawa was capture of Okinawa will give us preceded by the capture of the bases only 325 miles from Japan islands of the Kerama group, west which will greatly intensify the of the southern tip of Okinawa, attacks of our fleet and air forces which commenced on March 26. against Japanese communications liminary operation were com-sea and air blockade cuts the manded by Rear Admiral I. N. enemy off from the world and as Kiland, U. S. N. The troops con- our bombing increases in strength

150 SUPERFORTS

Drop Incendiaries on Aircraft Plant in Outskirts of Capital.

GUAM, Monday, April 2-(AP) A large force of low-flying Superfortress a mobality 150—from Sai-pan dropped explosives and incendiaries on the important Nakajima aircraft engine plant on the outskirts of Tokyo before dawn today (Japanese time).

It was the first low-level attack on the big factory, a major producer of Nippon's aircraft engines, although it has been a target in high altitude raids on the Nipponese capital.

The plant is approximately 10 miles northwest of the imperial

Results of the raid were not reported in the 21st bomber command announcement.

The strike followed closely the landing of American forces on Japan's Okinawa island. 325 miles south of the homeland,

preliminary announcement

"Superfortresses of the 20th Air-"4. The attack on Okinawa has by the shore based air forces of force attacked military targets in also been covered and supported by attacks of a strong British car-"10. The operation is proceeding Maj. Gen. Curtis E. LeMay, mount-

"5. Troops of the 24th Army by 1100 had captured the Yontan ed after the planes have returned Corps are commanded by Major and Kadena Airports with light to their bases in the Marianas is-

'Large Task Force' of LeMay's Targets at Foe's Capital

WASHINGTON. April 1 (P)-A

large force of Superfortresses, possibly as many as 150, has again bombed Japanese military targets in the Tokyo area, the Twentieth Air Force reported today. The strike followed closely the landing of American forces on Okinawa

"A large task force of B-29's from the Twentieth Bomber Command, commanded by Maj. Gen. Curtis E. LeMay, mounted the attack in the early morning hours of April 2, Japanese time," said a preliminary announcement.

"Further details will be announced after the planes have returned to their bases in the Mariana Islands."

British Battle at Muenster. Threatening Enemy Troops in Holland.

RESISTANCE STIFFENS

Seventh Army Sweeps Along Main: Patton 162 Miles from Berlin.

PARIS, Monday, April 2-(AP) Armored columns of the American First and Ninth armies completed the encirclement of the Ruhr yesterday, depriving Germany of her last major industrial area and trapping possibly as many as 100,-000 Nazi soldier, while the U. S. Third army probad within 162 miles of Berlin. of Berlin.

At the same time the British Second army, by Germany report, was fighting at Muenster, big medieval cathedral city north of the Ruhr, and threatening another entrapment of German forces remaining

Seventh Gains Along Main

The American the other end of tong Western front, smashed soig the river shock of the series of Allied break-Nuernberg and within 124 miles of throughs east of the Rhine, also Munich. Spearheads of both the turned heavy, organized resistance Third and Seventh armies were within 100 miles of the Czechoslovak frontier.

The Allied armies, now linked solidly from one end of the front to the other, either held or had cut off at least 30,000 square miles of the Reich,-

The work of compressing the big Ruhr pocket-a rectangle containing approximately 4,800 square miles-began immediately, with the First army crossing the Sieg river west of the town of Siegen in a new northward development of the Americans' original Remagen-Erpel

Associated Press Correspondent Hal Boyle, with the First army, said between 75,000 and 100,000 German troops were believed to be trapped in the Ruhr, possibly 30,000 of them combat soldiers and the sistance stiffening all along its others service and supporting

German soldiers were surrendering by the thousands, and those who undertook to withdraw were being strafed and bombed by Allied tactical air forces sweeping back and forth over the battle zones. Bad weather Sunday kept the enemy from full brunt of Allied air power, however.

Bombers Meet Heavy Flaks

The Germans loosed heavy flak barrages in an effort to protect troops pulling back from Holland -a withdrawal which Supreme Allied headquarters said had not become-scale-and shot down 24 out of 350 British fighter-bombers attacking eastbound enemy trans-

The junction of the First and Ninth armies was made at 3:30 p. m. Sunday at Lippstadt, 75 miles due east of Wesel and 18 miles west vision. of Paderborn as the Second Armored division of the Ninth army met the Third Armored division of Lt. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges' First

Paderborn, the vital highway junction which the Germans had hoped to hold open as an exit from the Ruhr, was captured after a bitter 48-hour battle.

Some of the Nazi troops caught in the Ruhr trap tried to break out with an eastward attack against Hodges' armor about 40 miles south of Paderborn, but the Americans captured most of the enemy involved and seized or knocked out their supporting tanks. Fighter-bombers helped break up the thrust, destroying or damaging 100 vehicles,

th army, at | The Germans, apparently recovering somewhat from the first against the Third and Seventh armies.

> The Fourth Armored division of Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's Third army made the closest approach to Berlin, smashing along the Frankfurt-Berlin superhighway to the area of Nesselroeden, eight miles east of Eisenach and 162 miles from the German capital.

> Patton's forces cleared a large area south of Kassel, but were meeting increasing opposition. Hersfeld, communications center on the Fulda river, was occupied by the 90th infantry division. The 80th infantry drove in toward the manufacturing city of Kassel itself after the Sixth Armored division changed its direction to the east and crossed the Fulda river.

The Seventh army reported refront, although new advances carried Lt. Gen. Alexander M. Patch's troops into Marienburg on the river Main opposite Wuerzburg and the 12th armored reached Oschsenfurt, 45 miles from Nuernberg,

German defenders, aided by civilians, were holding out in Aschaffenburg. German planes attacked that city as well as Hanau, east of Mannheim, demonstrating again the Luftwaffe was willing to destroy German cities if it could interfere with Allied movements by

Bag Of Prisoners Swells

While opposition was crystalizing at many points, the Allies' bag prisoners continued to swell. More than 30,000 were taken Saturday, one of them Lt. Gen. Count Von Oriola, commanding the German 13th Army corps, who was captured by the 12th Armored di-

Front dispatches said the Germans had begun to withdraw from Holland and during the day tanks of the Canadian First army advanced as much as ten miles east of Arnhem.

Because of the news blackout under which Field Marshal Montgomery's armies were operating, less was known about the British, Canadian and American forces of the 21st army group than of other armies along the Western Front. But there was reason to believe Montgomery's forces were threatening the entrapment of all Germans still in Holland.

British armor was at least 70 miles havand the Rhine Saturday

and Associated Press Correspondent Pugh Moore said advances measured up to 15 miles today. Some columns were said to have struck north and west, forcing the enemy to begin pulling out of the Netherlands.

Little was known about the size of the remnants of the German armies trapped in the Ruhr, although it was believed the enemy had concentrated in that industrial area the greatest mass of his troops in the west. It was doubtful that many of them had escaped before the First and Ninth armies slammed the trap shut.

Patton's Third army continued to sweep through the sector south of Kassel and the German radio reported some forces were fighting in the suburbs of that big (220,000 pop.) manufacturing city on the Fulda river.

WAR TAKES SOLDIER HOME

Refugee in U. S. Army Discovers Parents in Mannheim

WITH THE UNITED STATES THIRD ARMY in Germany, March 31 (Delayed) (A)-Pfc, Richard A. Levy, 23 years old, found his home

It was devastated Mannheim, where scarcely a single house is standing, but Ruitate Levy found what he was really looking for his parents. They had lost much weight and looked worn, but they were glad to see their zon.

Private Levy was born in Mannheim but left in 1940. He said that he had bribed a German official for an exit permit.

He flew to Moscow (Germany and Russia were still friendly then) and thence to Tokyo (then at peace with the United States) and finally arrived in San Francisco. Less than six months later he was drafted.

He was assigned to the Twelfth Corps military government de-tachment, headed by Major William C. Skelton of Hartwell, Ga., who promised to take him to Mannheim when that city was occupied. Today Major Skelton kept his

Newsmen In Goebbels's Castle

With U.S. 9th Army in Germany, April 1(A)—Paul Loseph Goebbels's cashe cannon of Nazi propaganda up to its capture last month, today is the home of 9th Army war correspondents. Land where the Nazi

radio once broadcast, typewriters of Allied correspondents clack out stories of Allied victories.

Canadians Pursuing

With the Changas In Northern Holland, April 1 (A)—Canadian infantry and armor raced ahead tothe front east and southeast of Arnhem began to crumble.

1,277 American Captives, Freed At Nazi Camp

U. S. Sixth Armored Finds Veterans of Bulge Battle Starving in Inclosure

captured in the Belgian bulge were described as appalling. fighting last winter. They had lost twenty-five to forty pounds each in three and one-half months of a in three and one-half months of a All Jews were segregated and prison camps. in three Martin

Equal rejected were other nationals bounded the parbed wire and jammed into wooden barracks enclosure in an open field near with inadequate stoves. Siegenhain, fourteen miles south of Kassel. They included 2.000 British and Dominion troops, 1,000 100 Serbs, Slovaks, Moroccans, Belgians, Senegalese and South African Negroes.

In this area the 6th Armored Division also freed 900 Jewish women between the ages of sixteen and thirty-five who had been imported by the Germans from Hungary as slave laborers for farms and factories. They told ghastly stories of sick girls unable to work being stripped, thrown into trucks with dead girls and hauled off and cremated.

The ribs of many of the Americans showed through their shirts. Their clothes hung on them like scarecrows. When offered cigarettes they snatched them, but their Neustadt. morale was high. They said they had never lost hope.

The Americans were caught in the Bastogne-Clervaux area in

December. After being captured. they related, they were forced to Foe in North Holland march four days through snow and mud with only a half a loaf of bread each daily. At Gerolstein. west of Pruem, they were split into two groups and herded into night in pursuit of withdrawing boxcars. One of the prisoners, from Germans after a Quebec regiment New York City, said one group was captured important Hochelten hill, held in the cars seven days and 4 miles northwest of Emmerich, as the other ten days without food or water.

> The Americans reported the Germans stripped them of their watches and money. A prisoner from the Mid-West said his captors took away his shoes and forced him to march eighty miles through snow in his stocking feet. Others said the Germans slapped and pushed them around.

On Christmas Eve. American canteens of water given surrep- quivering defense front. titiously by Russian laborers.

The liberated Americans, all of A GERMAN PRISON CAMP whom were corporals or sergeants NEAR SIEGENHAIN, Germany, from nearly every State in the April 1 (P).—The United States union, were taken shortly after 6th Armored Division, in reaching here, liberated 1,277 Americans captured in the Belgian bulge burg. Sanitary conditions there

semi-starvation diet in German shackled and made to do whatever the Germans desired. The noncoms

shore of the Neusiedler See 19 miles due east of Wiener Neustadt.

These villages fell to the advancing Russians after they plunged through Sopron, a great outer fortress 30 miles from Vienna.

Capturing more than 30 towns and villages on Vienna's southern approaches, Tolbukhin's troops gained up to 12 miles and also captured Mattersburg, eight miles southeast of Wiener Neustadt.

At the same time, a deterioration of German morale along the Yugoslav frontier, at the southern end of the Red army's 300-mile front across Czechoslovakia, Austria and Hungary was indicated by Moscow's announcement that 26,000 German prisoners had been captured southwest of Lake Balaton in the preceding 24 hours.

The German radio said that 450,planes strafed the unmarked box- 000 other Red army soldiers had cars, killing nine soldiers. Christ- opened an all-out assault against mas Day, their only presents were Stettin, Baltic anchor of Berlin's

> On top of these victories, Premier Stalin in one of three orders of the day announced that Russian troops in Lower Silesia had captured the long-encircled Oder river citadel of Glogau, 53 miles northeast of Breslau, taking 8,000 prisoners. Besieged for almost seven weeks, the Nazi garrison had tied up thousands of Red army troops who now are released for the impending battle for Berlin.

Moscow dispatches said that the climactic battle for the German capital was expected momentarily, panic-stricken Vienna, and the pupand the enemy reported that Mar-

This 18-mile defense position, between the north shores of Neusiedler see and Bratislava city, was being avoided by the Red army.

On the north bank of the Danube, Marshal Rodion Y. Malinovsky's Second Ukraine army was hurtling toward the puppet Slovak capita land beyond was only the Morava river before Vienna.

Crossing the Dudvah river, the only barrier before Bratislava, Malinovsky's troops raced 14 miles across the flat plains before the city and swept up Senec ,(Szenc), 13 miles northeast. These troops were only 38 miles east of Vienna's city limits.

In other 14-mile gains, Malinovsky's troops also captured Trnava, 26 miles northeast of Bratislava, and Hlohovec, 36 miles northeast, on the Vah and Dudvah rivers. Capture of these two rail towns they had withdrawn after the fall severed the important trans-Slovakia railroad linking Bratislava with Cieszyn in the still-unconquered stretch of territory in southwest Poland guarding the approaches to U the Moravian gap.

Slicing across this supply line, Malinovsky's troops won a victory that presaged the rolling-up of a German bulge deep in Slovakia by Gen. Ivan I. Petrov's mountain fighters of the Fourth Ukrainian Raids German Airfields In Path

Government Flees Vienna

Meanwhile, Moscow reports said that Szalasi's government had fled pet Slovak government of Bratisshal Alexander M. Vasilevsky's lava also was said to be fleeing

Italy-based U. S. 15th Air force | The 9th claimed destruction of creatures." ing into Vienna from the west and tanks and 66 horse-drawn vehicles, south, concentrating their attacks and ripped up 42 buildings, mostly on the Vienna-Italy railroad, espe- in the Eisenach, Erfurt and Weimar cially where it crosses the Drava areas. river at Maribor in Yugoslavia.

said that Marshal Gregory K. Zhu- many as severe weather grounded kov's First White Russian army heavy bombers in England. had struck anew against Stettin American heavy bombers of the rific artillery and aerial bombard- the Russian armies. .

Berlin said that the Russians also had opened a great assault against Breslau after hours-long artillery preparation.

At Danzig, Nazi broadcasts admitted that German troops had lost the Westerplatte, a narrow sand pit guarding Danzig harbor, where of the Baltic port two days ago.

Of 3d Army's Offensive

London, April 1 (A)—Fighters and bombers of the Continentbased United States 9th Air Force shot up at least 2 German planes today in a darm tropite attack on three airfields in the Mulhausen area, some 37 miles east of Kassel in the sector where the United States 3d Army has penetrated closest to Replie and was meeting fierce, organized registance.

The enemy was preparing to send his planes against American armored columns. At least 44 of the

The 19th Tactical Air Command pelled guns which had been helping to delay Patton's advance along a 30-mile front southeastward from Kassel.

564 Sorties Flown

The 9th Air Force flew 564 sorroad linking Vienna with Italy, lit- ties and lost two planes in its tle more than 100 miles from on- operations today, in which German traffic routes ahead of the 1st and Supporting the Russian drive, the 3d armies also were scourged.

blasted railroads and bridges lead- 298 motor vehicles, 39 cars and

These tactical operations high The German radio meanwhile lighted the aerial attacks on Ger-

with 30 divisions, attacking from 15th Air Force blasted enemy taracross the Oder river after a ter- gets in Austria in close support of

Rail Yards Battered

The Italy-based bombers attacked the St. Polten rail yards, 35 miles west of Vienna, and other near-by targets, while another fleet pounded the Maribor rail bridge, 50 miles south of Zagreb, cutting the Ger- traitors among our own people." mans' only rail crossing over the Drava River east of Villach.

Lieut. Gen. James H. Doolittle. commander of the 8th Air Force. disclosed today the 8th covered Germany with an average of 1,500 planes every day during March and dumped explosives at the rate of better than three tons a minute during a month of the greatest display of air power in history.

The month's operation cost 138 bombers and 99 fighters from all operations from England.

LONDON, April 1-(AP) The formation of German "werewolves" guerrillas to fight against the Al- entire history." lies and German collaborators and appealed to "every man, woman and child" in occupied parts of the that this six-year-old-long wrestle Reich to give "wholehearted support to the werewolves."

"The werewolves," the broadcast said, "will make collaboration of the enemy simultaneously from with the Allies impossible and fin- the east and west has become a ally drive them out of all German hard, tangible reality at this very territories."

ocean agency said "describes were- the end living on our side or cawolves as wild beings who hide in pitulate to the enemy and die." the forests and pounce on all God's Indicating that some Germans

"Werewolves," Transocean continued, "are the standard bearers of a fanatical struggle which must be waged with wild resolution. The werewolves must become the symbol of the struggle for liberation from the foreign invaders; flaming examples for ruthless resistance by our entire people such as the world has never yet seen."

The "werewolves" vow to risk death "daily and joyfully" in a suicidal campaign of death against every Allied soldier without regard to "the childish rules of so-called recent bourgeois warfare."

For collaborationists they promised "tribunals which will judge

The "werewolves," the broadcast said, "will make use of every means by which it may harm the enemy. Every Russian and every American soldier on German soil will constitute targets for us. We shall seize with joy every opportunity to take their lives without caring for our own.'

The radio attempting to rouse the people charged the Allies with "cynically" defying the rules of warfare.

"The blood and tears of our men in the eastern occupied territories," the broadcast said, "of our raped women and murdered children cry out for vengeance. The 'werewolves" will put an end to these atrocities. x x x Every crime done by the enemy on a German national will meet with death for its author."

"Our order is hate and our battle cry vengeance," the broadcast concluded.

War Reaches Climax

Another Nazi broadcast admitted the war had "reached its climax" Nazi radio announced tonight the and said "the German Reich is exposed to the greatest danger in its

> "Events have taken a turn which has driven home to every German has now reached its climax," Nazi war reporter Toni Schaelkopf said. "The long-heralded general attack hour.

Taken From Mythology

The same was taken from German mythology, which the Trans-

British and Dominion troops, 1,000 Russians, 200 Poles and a total of Two Russians, 200 Poles and a total of 100 Serbs, Slovaks Moroccans, 100 Serbs, 100 Ser Smash Within 13 Miles of Bratislava

LONDON, Monday, April 2-(AP) Massed armor of two Soviet armies closed on Vienna from the south and slashing out on the east to a point only 13 miles from the Slovak capital of Bratislava.

Threatening to clamp a great pincer on Vienna, second city of Hitler's greater Reich, the Russians also sheared through crumbling Nazi defenses within eight miles of the great industrial city of Wiener

Moscow's nightly war bulletin disclosed that Marshal Feodor I. Tolbukhin's Third Ukraine army had driven within 22 miles south of Vienna by capturing Trauersdorf and Rust, the latter on the west

Third White Russian army, moving westward after cleaning up East Prussia, was taking up positions along the Oder river within 31 miles of the capital.

Driving on Vienna from the

south, Marshal Feodor I. Tolbukhin's Third Ukraine army swiftly seized Sopron, in a spur of Hungarian territory on the west bank of Vienna's Neusiedler See (lake) barrier and cracked the enemy's main defense wall below the Danube city.

Capture of Sopron, former capital of Ferenc Szalasi's Hungarian puppet government, shattered the enemy's fortified lines based on Neusiedler see and outflanked the highly-fortified Bratislava gap.

westward before the Russian tiges remaining defense bastion south of Nazi aircraft were destroyed and Wiener Neustadt was the only Vienna. Tolbukhin's self-propelled 38 badly damaged as the American guns were on a hilly crest over- craft dived from low-hanging looking the valley in which the city clouds. lies and the capture of Sopron allowed his spearheads to sweep up added its power to the ground the west shore of Neusiedler See forces' assault and claimed destrucfor a potential thrust to cut off tion of twenty tanks and self-pro-Wiener Neustadt from Vienna.

Tolbukhin's troops already were inside Austria on a 60-mile front and were threatening not only Vienna but also the southern Austrian city of Graz and the vital railrusking Soviet spearheads.

wanted to yield to the British and formun, could break through to Berlin, tions War Crimes Committee on the "This system makes it unnecesstill love to babble that capitula- areas. tion to the Anglo-Americans is the lesser evil compared with capitulation to the Eastern hordes are either fools or criminals."

The Nazi party central office in a broadcast order, called on all civilians to "do or die. The hour of the supreme test has arrived."

HITLER RATED NO. 1 AXIS WAR CRIMINAL

Five Lists Drafted By United Nations Commission

London, April 1 (P)-The United Nations War Crimes Commission placed Adolf Hitler's name at the top of its list of German criminals today and declared that heads of states would have no immunity from prosecution for Axis atroci-

Apparently the commission's declaration applied to Eniperor Hirohito of Japan and to regular men who carried out the Axis war plans, although only Hitler was mentioned by name.

The commission said five lists of Germans and others who would be brought to trial had been drafted and that the hunt for war criminals was already under way. "Superior Orders" Plea Ruled Out

In drawing up the lists, the commission said, it "assumed that no immunity attached to heads of states and decided that a plea of superior orders, of itself, did not constitute justification for war

Two lists of German criminals, one of Japanese, one of Italian and a fifth composed of Albanians. Bulgarians, Hungarians, Italians and Romanians have been prepared.

The commission explained that names other than Hitler's were withheld to prevent forewarning suspects who could then attempt to

As Pretext For Reprisals

"Moreover, publication at this stage of a list of the named persons might be used as a pretext for reprisals against helpless persons still under enemy control," the commission said.

Chungking in June, 1944, to investi- ries and according to the laws of

channels of evidence of war crimes tions. committed in the Far East," it added. "Indeed, recently a number war criminals who have partici- The official Soviet Tass Agency of charges against the Japanese pated in atrocities-apart from said today that the United States were heard at headquarters of the major criminals, the treatment of and Great Britain had agreed at commission in London.'

Meetings Held At Chungking

has held four meetings since last by the courts of such countries." November and is composed of representatives of Australia, Belgium dia, Luxembourg, the Metherlands to agencies in the various countries affected "in order that the persons Poland, the United Kingdoms and is chairman.

inals and will prepare lists to be forwarded to all participating United Nations.

The commission disclosed that crimes committed against each nation by its own citizens.

Procedure By Branch Offices

early in its work it urged establishment of these national offices "to investigate war crimes against citizens or subjects of their own countries.

Nations War Crimes Commission or its subcommission, which exam-

"These bodies, if they believe a war crime has been committed and clarification of the commission's be regarded as a Colonial Office that the information shows there status. is, or will be at the time of trial. sufficient evidence to justify a the advance of Allied armies on all conference beforehand to ascerprosecution, place the name or de-scriptions of the individual upon fronts had brought a great increase Dominions conference is scheduled scriptions of the individual upon their lists.

As A Committing Magistrate

"Under this system the commission performs a limited function and proceeds in a manner somewhat similar to a committing magistrate. Actual investigation, including detection of crimes, interviewing of witnesses and preparation of cases is done by official agencies The commission disclosed that a best suited to conduct investigasubcommission had been set up at tions within the national bounda-

Americans before the Russians gate and report to the United Na each country,

Schaelkopf said "those people who situation in the Far East and Pacific sary for an international commission to assume official police duties "But establishment of this branch of each of the nations or to attempt to operate within the jurisdiction of each country, many of which are to the commission through other still fields of actual military opera-

"Under the Moscow Declaration, whom was reserved for future decisions—will be taken back to the countries where they committed the San Francisco conference as to work out an agreement on man-The Chungking subcommission their crimes, there to be judged charter members and that in re- dates.

Steps Taken For Apprehension

The five lists of war criminals China, Czechoslovakia, France, In already prepared have been given

Chung-hui, Chinese representative over to the proper nation for trial." This is intended, the commission that the United States and Britain At present the subcommission is said, to assure that criminals fleeexamining material and informaling from their own country evention against the Japanese war crim-tually would be returned to stand trial at home.

The announcement said that "while the general rule is for the each of sixteen nations had estab- commission to receive information lished national war crimes offices from the National War Crimes and investigations were being made offices, the commission itself in and evidence collected on war some cases investigates and formulates charges against war criminals. This procedure applies to cases in which, for some reason, evidence The commission disclosed that of a war crime is obtained by the commission without it being There was no official comment in brought before it by any National War Crimes office.

Russia In Effect As Observer The United States and Great Britain have regular members on is reasonably complete, they for the United Nations commission dates prior to the San Francisco is reasonably complete, they for the United Nations commission security of the with Russia siting in effect as an Diplomatic Trees indicated observer. Representatives of the there would be no official reaction other United Nations contribute ines the information," the report their evidence. Today's announcement constituted the first extended

of information about war criminals. for Wednesday.

"Detection and investigation of war crimes and submission of the cases is much hampered by the difficulty of obtaining precise information from the Allied territories while they are still occupied by the enemy," the commission said.

"For this reason, during the first months of its existence the commission received only a limited amount of information and the number of cases was small in comparison with the atrocities committed. But as the

forces of liberation marched forward, the number of cases steadily increased and the inflow of information considerably increased."

Soviet Agency Confirms Yalta Vote Agreement

London, Monday, April 2 (A)-Yalta to admit the Ukrainian and White Russia Soviet republics to turn Russia had agreed to three conferent rates for the United States.

In this first comment from Russia on the recent declaration from Washington that the United States would increase her votes to three the United States. Dr. Wang may be apprehended and turned to match the Soviet Union's total, Tass said in a Moscow broadcast also agreed at Yalto to support Soviet proposals that the two member republics of the Soviet Union be made charter members of an international organization formed at San Francisco.

Russia sought charter member ship—and voting powers—for the two member republics, Tass de clared, because of their populations, political significance and con tributions made to the commor cause of Germany's defeat.

No Comment In London

London, Monday, April 2 (A) London today on a report from Washington that the United States had suggested a meeting of the Big Five powers to discuss man-

unless an announcement was made formally in Washington.

Sources familiar with the Foreign Office said it probably would matter and that in any event Brit-The commission disclosed that ain would want the Dominions

U.S. PROPOSES BIG 5 PARLEY

Washington Meeting In Advance Of Frisco Conference Suggested

Washington, April 1 (A)-The Inited States has suggested a Big Five meeting before the San Francisco United Nations conference,

The meeting, it was learned today, has been proposed for Washington about two weeks before the delegates sit down at San Francisco April 25 to set up the international organization planned at Dumbarton Oaks.

The United States, Britain, Russia, France and China would take

Trusteeship May Become Issue

This country advocates an international trusteeship system under which nations holding mandates over territories would be required to permit the development of selfgovernment leading toward independence.

But in sponsoring that idea the United States may find itself opposed by Britain and France, which have taken the position that mandates should be brought closer into their imperial systems.

Although the Russians have said little on the subject, it is believed they would tend to side with the Americans. The Chinese position is yet unknown though they also are likely to back the United States.

Would Drop Word "Mandates"

The United States plan, ready for presentation if the meeting develops, calls for establishment of asked to provide financial security a trusteeship council under the general assembly of the proposed world organization, similar to the proposed economic and social council.

Since the word "mandates" has come into disrepute through the handling of some territories by nations to which they were assigned under the League of Nations, it is proposed to call the assignments 'trusteeships."

The right and obligation of the ON MANDATE international organization to visit "trusteeship" territories and report on them would be laid down. Uninternational organization to visit der the League, reports were made

were not allowed to visit and see for themselves.

Clash With British Expected

The principles of nondiscrimination in trade, aviation and tele-communications are included in the American plan. This is expected to run head-on into British views, especially on aviation.

International use of military bases on trusteeship territories would come under the same arrangements and special agreements as those on national territorysuch as on United States or British possessions. This presumably would affect the British proposal to take over as a naval and military base the Japanese island fortress of Truk, bypassed in the American march on Tokyo.

Limited To Machinery

The United States, and probably the other big powers, intend to push aside the direct question of who will exercise power over former Italian and Japanese colonies

and mandates, and the question of other colonial areas.

The discussions would be limited, according to this idea, to setting up machinery for taking care of mandates set up under the League and those which will result from this war.

If the meeting cannot be arranged, the question will be discussed through diplomatic chan-

to Geneva, but League inspectors | against men serving in the Canadian and American forces by unmarried British women already has been raised in Commons, Laborite Rhys Davies will seek an official Government statement immediately after Parliament's Easter recess.

Public attention has focused on the matter by isolated cases such as last year's Heanor quadruplets, whom the father promised publicly to support. Conditions in foster homes and alleged "black market" in babies and cruelty to children are subjects for widespread comment in the press.

British social workers and members of Parliament have expressed anxiety over the fate of illegitimate children of American and Canadian fathers, particularly after the war

Military Ready To Aid

Both Canadian and American military authorities won't discuss publicly the problem of financial support, but it has been learned unofficially that authorities from both countries aid in seeing that illegitimate children receive support when paternity is admitted or proved.

Illegitimate children of Ameri can soldiers are eligible for the same wartime allotments as legitimate children. The unmarried mother may make application without reference to the father, if suffi cient proof of paternity is available. If the soldier admits paternity to his commanding officer, there

Illegitimacy British Issue

London, April 1(P)-Illegitimate | are channels through which he can babies, born in increasing numbers in a Britain crowded with Allied soldiers, are beginning to cry loud enough to be heard in international legislative halls.

Governments here, in Canada and in the United States may be now and postwar for these youngsters, who arrived at the rate of more than six is every 100 births in 1943, latest year for which figures are available.

The National Council for the Unwed Mother and Her Child says the number of illegitimate births in England and Wales during 1943 was more than 50 per cent above the figure for 1938. It was slightly above the figure for the end of the last war. After 1918, the number of illegitimate births dropped to above four out of every 100 in 1925.

Question Raised In Commons The question of claims filed

allocate part of his pay to his offspring if he wishes.

Pay Deduction Provided

Papers may be served on an American soldier in Britain in a paternity action just as though he were a civilian. If a court order is obtained, the Army deducts the amount of support money stipulated from the soldiers' pay.

In many cases, however, the girl is unable to produce the soldier's full name or serial number and he cannot be traced.

In a recent court action the counsel for the unmarried mother declared an American army officer gave the soldier-father a written form which called for a payment of \$4 weekly to the girl for several months, after which he was released from further responsibility. The irate attorney for the girl claimed she had been duped into believing she would receive \$4 weekly for life.

The matter of collecting such allotments after the father leaves Great Britain is another perplexing angle. Some authorities contend a British court order could not be enforced unless both British and American laws are

One county council has started a home where widows and their babies and unmarried mothers with children may live together.

These women go out to work together and return in the evening to bathe and care for their babies. It is hoped that the fact that placing the children together may ease the future adjustment for the ones born out of wedlock.

Keitel Reprisal Threat For Surrender Charged

London, April 1 (AP)-The Mos cow radio accused Field Marshal Wilhelm Keitel today of threatening reprisals against the families of German soldiers who surrender. "An order signed by Keitel on Hitler's behalf, throughing sur-rendering Germans with reprisals against their families, has been found by troops on the 1st Ukrainian front among the captured documents of a German armored divisaid the broadcast of a frontline dispatch to the Russian newspaper Pravda.

Goicoechea Reported On Outs With Franco

London, April 1 (AP)-Reliable reports reached London today that the powerful Catholic political leader of Spain, Antonio Goicoechea, has broken with Gen. Fran-cisco Franco Giococchea, former president of

the Bank of Spain, headed the Monarchist Party before the civil war. He took over the party leadership after the assassination of Calvo Sotelo in 1936 and was one of Franco's chief supporters during the war.

Rumors of a rift between Franco and the Monarchists were strengthened by Madrid's silence on reports the Duke of Alba has resigned as Spanish Ambassador to Great Britain.

AUSTRIAN TROOPS MUTINY

Monday April 2-LONDON. (AP) Swedish reports broadcast by the Paris radio today said a contingent of Austrian troops mutin-

Lights Of Paris Mark Victories

Paris, April 1 (A)-The lights of Paris blazed on tonight for the first time since the start of the war.

The illumination was in celebration of the Allied victories on the Western front.

The Arc de Triomphe and the Cathedral of Notre Dame were flood in the Place de la Congleamed in the Place de la Congleame Flygore. corde, along the Champs Elysees and other main thoroughfares.

At 10 P.M. the flame at the Unknown Soldier's tomb was rekindled and the lights of the Arc de Triomphe were turned on.

The Champs Elysees was choked with Parisians and Allied soldiers. Perhaps 2,000,000 persons turned out to see the lights restored to the city of light.

There were some glad cries, but no wild enthusiasm. People simply turned to one another and exclaimed, "how beautiful!"

A cannon shot then called for a moment of silence in honor of the war dead.

Clocks Changed In ETO Paris, Monday, April 2 (P) and the European Theater on double sum-time today. This conforms with the change in Britain

Pound Roads Into Vienna

Rome, April 1 (AP)—Operating in close co-operation with the Russian Army sweeping into Austria, escorted Fortresses and Liberators of the United States 15th Air Force today bombed rail yards and bridges along lines leading to

Fortresses battered the Maribor rail bridge in Vugoslavia near the Austrian border. Officers said it is the only rail crossing of the Drava River which the Germans retain east of Villach, Austria, 85 miles to the west.

Liberators attacked the St. Poel ten rail yards, 35 miles west of Vienna, and other targets in that

gets near Ybbs, 60 miles west of

Stalemate On Ground

The aerial activity came amid continued stalemate on the ground in Italy. Only scattered patrol clashes and minor artillery fire were reported by the Allied high command. There were no changes in forward positions.

Twelfth Air Force headquarters announced the Brenner Pass rail line had been kept out of operation throughout March, for the second consecutive month. Mitchells hammered bridges along the road again

2.200 sorties yesterday, mostly in hours. support of the Russian drive.

35 Enemy Planes Bagged Fighters under Brig. Gen. Dean C. Strother shot down 35 enemy planes and destroyed 57 locomoives. Mustangs of the 31st Fighter Group under Col. William A. Daniels, Birmingham, Ala., accounted for seventeen of the enemy planes over Prague and three more over Regensburg, Lieut. Col. C. Stoffel, of San Juan Capistrano, Cal., said the fight over Prague "looked just like an air fight in the movies."

'There were airplanes burning in the air," said Stoffel, who claimed three Nazi planes. "Aircraft was burning on the ground and the air around us actually was filled with falling wings and para-

Easter Calm on Italian Front ROME, April 1 (A).—An Easter calm ruled the Italian front today, with only scattered catrol clashes reported from in 5th and 8th Army sectors. There were no Fortresses And Liberators changes in forward positions, headquarters said.

Masses At St. Peter's

Vatican City, April 1 (A) Thousands of Allied troops-outnumbering the Italian civilians present— attended two Foster masses cele-brated simultaneously in the great Basilica of St. Peter today.

Also attending the services were many members of the Brazilian expeditionary force and a group of United States sailors.

EIGHT DANES EXECUTED

Mutiny by Austrian Troops in Copenhagen Reported

STOCKHOLM, Sweden, April 1 (P) The Free Danish Press Servtingent of Austrian troops mutinied in Copenhagen March 25 and
fought in the streets of the Danish
capital with military police and
SS units.

CP:—The Free Danish Press Service tonight that eight
Danish patriots had been executed
by the Germans in Copenhagen on
Wednesday. Among them was
Gabters meanwhile hit railroad tar
Count Lennart Ahlefeldt-LauryigLehn, 30 years old, who was closeLehn, ly connected with the Danish royal family.

Nazi Army May Decide To End War in 48 Hours

Stockholm Papers Says Action Hinges on Hitler's Quitting

STOCKHOLM, April 1 (A) .-Stockholm newspaper "Tidningen," in another report which observers here considered with reservations, said to by the German high command planned to advise the army's officers and troops that the soldiers visited the Holy today. Thunderbolts strafed a train the decision whether to continue Sepulcher in the old city. Some believed to be carrying more than the war rested with them in the American fighting men attended an-500 enemy soldiers, west of Villach. event Adolf Hitler's government other sunrise service before the The flyers had flown more than failed to resign within forty-eight tomb and others made a pilgrimage

The story was attributed to a opposition who is advised on what of McKinney, Texas, an army chanis happening at Berchtesgaden." It lain. Among those present were followed Saturday's "Tidningen" article, unattributed as to source. an armistice.

Today's story said the "high command will renounce its command of the army" unless the Hitler government withdraws

There was nothing from other quarters to support these reports.

(The Brussels radio said Sunday that Hitler had called a conference of district leaders at Berchtesarmistice had not been confirmed).

Allied Envoys Eschew

first time since the Spanish occu prisonment and contending that oation of Tangier in 1940, Allied the hangings would be representatives absented them blooded murder.' selves today from the official day of victory celebration of Franco's civil war success in 1939.

American charge in a fair s. las refrained from attending any official Spanish celebrations since he took over at the American legation in 1941, but representatives of other Allied powers have attended such ceremonies in the past for reasons of expediency

Today the British, Dutch, French and Italian representatives also remained home while Spanish troops marched with colors flying and

Jerusalem Amaria (A) Sta Standing reverently in su Tower'

overlooking this Holy City and the surrounding barren hills of Judea. American soldiers today observed the Easter morn with their own religious service. After the sun-

rise worship, which was relayed by radio to the United States, to the Garden of Gethsemane.

The Y.M.C.A. service was in member of the German officer charge of the Rev. Fred R. Edgar,

Esther C. Riley, Newport News, asserted the German high Va.; Lieut. Louis A. Pavia, Warren, command had demanded that the Texas; Harold T. Carr, Perth Am-Hitler government resign as a basis boy, N.J.; Dewey Strong, Demonte, for taking up negotiations toward Cal., and Serg. James Bliss, Jamaica, N.Y.

Indian-Language Group Sends Plea To King

Bombay, Monday, April 2 (P)-The Association of Indian Language Papers announced today it of district leaders at Berchtes-gaden. It added that the report that German army generals had ment the death entendes of seven asked Hitler to make way for an persons scheduled to be hanged for implication in terriorist murders in Chimur and Ashti in 1942.

Mohandas K. Gandhi, Indian na tionalist leader, enlisted the asso-Franco Celebration ciation's support, saying the crimes were committed "under public ex Tangier, April 1 (A)-For the citement" at the time of his im-

Central Burma Battle **Enters Final Phase**

Calcutta, April 1 (P)-The final phase of the battle for central Burma was under way today with troops of the British 14th Army methodically isolating and annihilating trapped Japanese forces.

Front-line reports said the back of organized resistance by the Japanese trapped if the Mandalay-Myingyan-Maik ila pocket his been broken in a month-long series of attacks by British armor and ground forces, with the enemy losng approximately half the force locked in the Irrawaddy bend.

Japanese forces caught in the

trap were estimated at 30,000 originally.

The survivors were reported breaking up into small groups, apparently with the intention of attempting to sneak through Allied lines and escape eastward over mountain trails toward Thailand.

142 SHIP SURVIVORS FOUND

Men Who Escaped in Pacific Are Rounded Up After 32 Days

MELBOURNE, April 1 (A)-Thirty-two days after an American Liberty ship had been torpedoed and sunk in Australian waters, all 142 of the surviving crew men who got away in four lifeboats and six rafts had been located, it was declosed here today. They have occurrently afely at an Australian port.

Thirty-three men when the torpedo hit.

Search for the survivors cov ered a wide area. The United States and Australian Navies, Allied Merchant ships and the Royal Australian Air Force took part in the hunt. Five Australian airmen were lost when their searching plane crashed. The first news of the sinking came four days after the ship was torpedoed when a merchantman picked up the first survivors in a lifeboat.

Brazil Sets No Limit On V-Day Celebration

Rio de Janeiro, April Brazilians today were assured by Joao Alberto Lins de Barros, Federal chief of police, that they could celebrate the lire in arts' content when the Et. pean war ends.

The police head said Brazilians would be given ample liberty to manifest themselves," and there would be no special police squads or restrictions. Bars, restaurants and cafés can remain open.

Silence Greets Report Of Canal-Blasting Plan

Balboa, Canal Zone, April 1 (AP)-Headquarters of the Panama Canal Zone today declined to comment on a report from Santiago, Chile, that a Nazi sabotage ring had planned to blow up the Fanama Canal.

The Santiago newspaper, La Nacion, said that seven members of the ring had been arrested and that the saboteurs had planned to destroy the canal with an explosive-

General Yasuda Named Jap Army Air Chief

San Francisco, April 1 (P)-Appointment of Lieut. Gen. Takeo Yasuda, a supreme war councillor, as commander of the Japanese Army Air Force, was reported by the Nippon Domei news agency

The pointment came in con-nection with Radio Tokyo's earlier report of a drastic reshuffle of nineeen generals in what was called 'the resolute determination of the Army to transfer the homeland nto a battlefield.

The Tokyo radio broadcast, recorded by the FCC, mentioned hese two additional appointments:

Lieut. Gen. Noburo Kunizaki commander of divisional army districts, and Lieut. Gen. Kkichi Fujii, chief of the War Ministry's bureau of judicial affairs.

Jap Emperor Admits Korea, Formosa To Diet

San Francisco, April 1 (A)-Tokyo reported today that Emperor Hirohito dad issued a rescript granting Kotea Formosa and Kara-futo representation in the Japanese Diet.

The Domei news agency wireless dispatch, recorded by the Federal Communications Commission, said immediate representation was granted in the House of Piers but that representation in the House of Representatives must await "promulgation of various imperial ordinances.

Army Casualty Toll For Canada-90,837

Ottawa, April 1 (A)-The Canadan Army suffered 2,661 casualties in February-third lowest monthly total since D-Day, June 6-Defense Headquarters announced tonight in a statement which showed Canada's total service casualties to be 90,837 from the start of the war to March 1.

February casualties for the Navy totaled 46 and the RCAF 521.

New German-Language Radio Goes On The Air

New York, April 1 (A)-A German-language radio station, identifying itself as "Stuttgart, Vienna," went on the air tonight with a new musical theme instead of the prescribed "Horst Wessel" song and declared "the National Socialist party is no more," Herbert Clark,

Blue network correspondent, re- side the courtyard. ported in a proadcast from Allied headquarters in Puri.

nounced the formation of a McColl, of Pittsburgh, one of Max- other than join the British in a Deutsche Freiheit (German free- well's companions, recalled: dom) party. Clark said. He described it as apparently represent- hand grenade came over in a high ment, which neither of the former ing a German group attempting to lob and landed right in the middle countries recognizes, be invited to satisfy Allied demands for uncon- of us. During that split second the United Nations meeting. ditional surrender.

Fierlinger Reported

New York, April 1 (P) - The wasn't killed. Turkish Anatolian News Agency as President Eduard Benes of Czechoslovakia had forme in new government with Zdnek Fierlinger as
ment with Zdnek Fierlinger as
in Italy when he was wounded
in Italy when he was wounded
while repairing communications recorded by the FCC said today Foreign Minister and Gen. Ludwig Svoboda of the Czechoslovakia 1st Army as War Minister.

while repairing communications Churchill and Premier Stalin, set up a commission to form a coali-Army as War Minister.

Infantryman Threw Self On **Exploding Grenade**

Washington, April 1 (AP)-A 24year-old infantryman who threw himself on an exploding German

county, (Colorado) who escaped It has been no secret on Capitol demand for recognition of the Wardeath from the grenade burst, but Hill that legislators have been irked saw Poles looked like "a bid for

toon lineman, and the three other arrived when the United States linemen were defending a battalion must speak plainly. observation post in a house near "In view of the enormous sacri-Besancon, France, last September fices the United States has made minor differences jeopardize the

Lobbed Over Wall The four were jammed into athis great struggle without any desmall courtyard. A low wall pro-sire for indemnities, the time is certected them against machine-guntainly at hand when we should say fire, but the Germans worked their very plainly that our views and our way to within ten yards of themdecisions in the program being and began hurling grenades shaped for the postwar world are Chicken wire atop the wall caughtentitled to full consideration." the missiles and they exploded out-

Finally, however, the Germans got one over the wire. It hit the an- cement floor. Tech. 4/g Cyril F.

> while we were lying there sweating, Maxwell jumped from his posi- chairman of the Senate Foreign tion at the wall and landed on top Relations Committee, a delegate to

of the grenade. He had no more New Czech Premier than covered it when it exploded, and by some stroke of luck he

Awarded Silver Star

Maxwell previously had won the and spirit."

Fierlinger is former Czechoslovak Minister to Moscow and Masaryk was Foreign Minister of the Lydia M. Maxwell, of Disston

A former timber worker, he lived on Star Route, Bellvue, Larimer Moscow since has made it rather plain that it wants none of the members of the London exile Polish A former timber worker, he lived all factions would be represented. Route, Cottage Grove, Ore.

medal are not complete.

GIVEN SOLDIER FIRMER STANL ON SOVIET SEE

George Says Time Is Here For way U.S. To Speak Plainly

Washington, April 1 (AP)-Rejechand grenade to save the lives of tion of Russian demands for a San that the Russians were looking for three comrades has been awarded Francisco conference invitation to "an excuse for not coming to San The latest hero to gain the na-the Warsaw Poles was interpreted Francisco at all. tion's highest honor roll, the War today by some senators as marking Department said today, is Tech. the possible emergence of a firmer also a critic of some phases of 5/g Robert D. Maxwell, of Larimer American policy toward the Soviets. American foreign policy, the Soviet

was permanently injured. He is now at the Baxter General Hoscome out of Moscow lately. Senator
But Senator Peppe Maxwell, a communication pla-George (D., Ga.) said the time has said that all nations must learn to

when the Germans launched ain both men and money," he declared, "in view of the support we ference," he declared. have given the United Nations in

Backs U.S. Rejection

He said he did not see how the United States could have done joint refusal of the Soviet demand "I was sure we were goners. The that the Warsaw-Lublin Govern-

> Senator Connally (D., Texas) San Francisco, also applauded the State Department's action.

> Senator Hill, of Alabama, the Democratic whip, said he thought the Yalta agreement on the Poles 'should be carried out in letter

Moscow Bars Exile Poles

That agreement, among President Roosevelt, Prime Minister tion Polish government in which

Government—recognized by the Plans for presentation of the United States and Britain-in the coalition cabinet.

Disclosure last week that the Russians had asked for multiple voting strength in the general assembly of the proposed new peacekeeping league and the designation of Ambassador Andrei A. Gromyko to head their delegation instead of Commissar Molotov Foreign rubbed some legislators the wrong

Sees Russians Withdrawing Senator McCarran (D., Nev.)

who has been critical of the Administration's dealings with foreign

To Senator Millikin (R., Col.) another vote for Russia" at the San

But Senator Pepper (D., Fla.) "submerge the lesser interests in the larger.

"We must not let any of these success of the San Francisco con-

WASHINGTON, April 1 - (AP) The administration worked against support for the conference report." time today to put a manpower bill on the books before Germany col- Monday or Tuesday on the meas-

But there were indications that its very insistence might boomer-

One erstwhile Senatorial proponent of pending manpower legislation bucked at the latest manifestation of administration pressure for the bill-War Mobilizer James F. Byrnes' renewed demand for it last night in his second report to President Roosevelt and the Con-

Byrnes Favors Labor Bill

Byrnes called for enactment of the compromise manpower measure, which carries jail and fine

Although he said the "end of the war in Europe is in sight" he asserted that V-E day might "make it even harder than now to hold workers on war jobs."

"The methods which we have had at our disposal do not permit the withdrawal of sufficient workers from less essential occupations. Byrnes said. "In large part they apply only to those who have quit or been released from jobs. They do not place workers in essential jobs in which the work is hard in comparison with the pay received. They do not permit the transfer of workers from loose labor areas to tight areas.

"They do not stop workers from quitting the labor market entirely. They do not bring people into the labor market. It is difficult, without direct penalties, to stop some employers from hiring workers without approval or from exceeding established ceilings."

Senator Johnson (D.-Colo.) until now regarded as perhaps the strongest supporter of the manpower control plan worked out by a joint Senate-House conference committee, said hower Byrnes "has effectively destroyed all chances for Senate adoption.

Johnson Raps Byrnes

This was done, Johnson said, by Byrnes' "grotesque statement that the need for manpower legislation continues x x x not only for war production but also for the production of essential civilian goods; and later to facilitate reconversion."

"It has been understood all along that this was very definitely war legislation and not, as its oppon-

regimentation of American man-

power.'

Chairman Thomas (D.-Utah) of the Senate Military Affairs committee said, however, that he thought the Byrnes statement "ought to help in bringing about

The Senate is expected to vote ure, already approved by House

Lacking a manpower law, Germany's defeat—and the 30 per cent lease of factories for civilian goods in the nine months following-may bring these two serious results Byrnes said:

First, a possible flight of workers from war plants needed in the war against. Japan, into newly opening peacetime jobs.

Second, a tardier, more hesitant reconversion program because of the uncertainty whether war plants could be kept staffed if civilian production were opened up extensively.

Twenty per cent of the nation's industrial resources will be released from war work, Byrnes disclosed, in the first three months after German collapse, another 5 per cent in the next quarter, and another 5 per cent in the third quarter.

Lewis Accepts WLB Order to Continue Work but Sets Time Limit.

ADMITS WAR NEEDS

Says Extension Limited by Operators' Stand on Retroactive Pay.

WASHINGTON, April 1.-(AP) A threatened national soft coal shutdown was averted today-but lation. with a 30-day limitation on the re-

his United Mine Workers that they a vote in favor of a strike.

The UMW president told the War Labor Board that "conscious of the imperative necessity of continuing the production of coal for war" he accepted a WLB order to continue Hugh White and W. K. Hopking, under the contract which expired last midnight.

But in his telegram to the board ford to pay, for an indefinite per- conflict. iod, any large wage increases retro- Lewis told the WLB yesterday contract.

tions.

were in session until a late hour liability for his demands for one last night discussing a Lewis de-month. The board declined to do mand for a guarantee of full retro; this. active payment on any wage in The operators and miners are creases provided in a new contract scheduled to resume negotiations

Retroactive Pay Provided

WLB Chairman Taylor explaine that while Lewis had imposed the 30-day restriction upon his compliance, the board "does not intend to take any action on that point at this time.

"That is a future problem and a contingency which we will face if the coal matter is not settled by collective bargaining or a board decision before May 1."

Lewis notified the WLB of his decision shortly after the board had held an emergency morning session which produced no results.

"The United Mine Workers of America," Lewis telegraphed WLB, in joint conference with the bituminous coal operators on Saturday night, found the operators placing a limitation on their financial liabilities under your directive order. Due to such limitation as interpreted by the operators, the United Mine Workers of America were unable to agree upon a stipu-

"Conscious, however, of the im-

John L. Lewis recommended to perative necessity of continuing the production of coal for war, the United Mine Workers of America continue work for that period, des- is today recommending to its mempite expiration of their contract and bership a continuation of work for a period of 30 days retroactive to April 1, 1945."

The telegram was signed by Lewis, Thomas Kennedy, John O'Leary, John Owens, Sam Caddy,

the UMW negotiating committee. Locals Notified

Lewis prepared telegrams to all he made the reservation that the the locals, representing the nation's extension should continue only 30 400,000 soft coal miners, recomdays, asserting that the operators mending that they continue work had placed "a limitation on their under the old contract in the infinancial liabilities" under the or terest of the war effort and the der. His reference was to operator necessity for coal production at contentions that they could not af- this crucial stage of the European

active to the expiration date of the that the miners had not forgotten what he called the loss of sub-Despite that contention, the stantial amounts of retroactive pay operators had notified the board during the five months of governyesterday that they accepted the ment operations in the 1943 wage extension order without reserva- dispute. For that reason he asked that the operators be required to Operator and miner negotiators put in escrow \$15,000,000 to cover

tomorrow, but one operator said it The WLB order placed no limi was likely they would ask the board immediately to take over contract, but provided for retroac the dispute and begin hearings at tive bargaining.

TO BE RUSHED

Congress Expects To Adopt Program Except Manpower

Washington, April 1 (A)-Congressional leaders responded with quick action today to War Mobilization Director James F. Byrnes's call for an extensive postwar legislative program.

Most of the laws he suggested already are on their way through Congress.

House committee chairmen said they would get to work immediately on the others-and they predicted passage for his major proposals, with the notable exception

of manpower controls.

Byrnes's Recommendation

In his second mobilization and reconversion report Byrnes recomnended to Congress:

Enactment of the Bretton Woods agreements.

Strengthening of the Export-Import Bank.

A unified soil conservation pro-

A permanent and expanded school lunch program.

Repeal of the Johnson Act which forbids American bankers to do business with foreign countries which have defaulted their war debts.

"We will get to work immediately on strengthening the Export-Import Bank," said Chairman Spence of the House Banking Committee. "Probably we will bring out a bill to increase its capitalization so it can be used to stimulate foreign trade after the war."

Soil Agency Planned

Chairman Flannagan (D., Va.) of the House Agriculture Committee said the group already has discussed informally the creation of a centralized soil conservation agency. Soil conservation now is administered by several departments.

"We will have a bill to unify the program in the Agriculture Depart-

Most of the Byrnes other recommendations are pending before House committees. The Banking Committee will resume soon recessinterrupted hearings on the Bretton Woods proposals to establish an international bank and a world monetary fund to stabilize curren-

School Lunch Program

The Agriculture Committee concluded hearings last week on an Administration-backed bill to make permanent the school-lunch proschool children and provide a after European victory. siphon for crop surpluses.

Foreign Affairs Committee. It many's fall. would remove the present restriction which makes it illegal for American capital to be used in countries which failed to keep even with their war-debt payments after the present rate, down to a total the last war.

the bill is necessary so private in- ship building will drop nearly 60 vestors can help the Government per cent by the last quarter of this in building the groundwork for an year. expanded foreign trade when peace

CIVILIAN OUTPUT

War production cutbacks in the orders when clear of war jobs. first nine months after Germany's The 500 "limitation orders," bansured today.

This would about double the public last night.

May Produce Automobiles

trols within a year after V-E day, ped in a few months. even though the country will still be fighting against Japan.

much more gradual than believed last year, Byrnes emphasized, largely because it will be necessary to fill the supply pipeline to the Pacific with new armaments before full-scale operations against Japan can begin.

four or five," Byrnes said-to get all concerned, is not a simple mat-U. S. army equipment in Europe ter, State department representastarted on its way to the Pacific, tives are finding out. and the troops in Europe will be transferred much faster.

to 40 per cent over a full year, but besides, in the Veterans Memorial in the first three months follow- building which is to be the confering V-E day will total only from ence headquarters. The spacious, 15 to 20 per cent. Last fall's plans gram. War Food Administrator envisaged a fast reconversion, stripped of most of their exhibits, Marvin Jones urged its enactment heading for a 1939 level of civilian, and carpenters are at work buildto insure a nutritious diet for production, within a few months

Navy and Maritime commission A bill to repeal the Johnson Act cutbacks are more impressive and conference are to be there, under be launched at the New York Ships awaiting action by the House are scheduled regardless of Ger- the present plan.

Navy to Cut Program

Navy will cut warship construction more than 50 per cent from of about \$1,000,000,000 a month in Chairman Bloom (D., N.Y.) said the first quarter of 1946. Merchant

In the early months, WPB will civilian goods started by

streamlining and simplifying its in the big building, State depart-"spot" production plan, under ment planners now have desigwhich individual plants are released if they can prove they have labor and machines not needed for war.

The controlled materials planthe machinery for rationing materials to manufacturers-will be dropped as soon as possible, perhaps in the quarter following V-E day, and will give place to a simple priority system. Until that is done allocation of materials will continue but producers will be al-WASHINGTON, April 1-(AP) lowed to fill non-priority civilian

capitulation will release about \$13 .- ning some civilian goods and lim-000,000,000 worth of "hard" goods iting others, will be revoked as for civilian use, the nation was as- rapidly "as is consistent with the remaining war production."

Last fall's grandiose plans to present civilian output of metal drop the bulk of them, at once, items, War Mobilizer James F. however, appeared to have gone Byrnes said in his report made overboard. Byrnes said controls would have to be retained on textiles, lumber, paper, pulp, leather, containers, many chemicals, and It might make possible the pro- other materials until supply is duction of passenger automobiles brought up equal with demand. under war production board con- Most metal controls can be drop-

The cut in war contracts will be MUSEUM OUSTED

SAN FRANCISCO, April 1-(AP) Evicting a museum to make way It would take three months-"I for the World Security conference, wouldn't be surprised if it took even with the gracious consent of

The San Francisco Museum of Art normally occupies the entire The Army's cutbacks will amount top floor, and much other space skylighted galleries are already ing partitions to increase the number of rooms. The State department administrative offices for the

at a premium in the principal emannounced today.

A substitution port of the west coast.

Mrs. Milton L. Garrett, Jr., of barkation port of the west coast, and besides, valuable pictures and sculpture can't be stowed away like tenant Garrett, who was killed in a cord wood. Oil paintings must be plane accident June 6, 1943, will hung on racks so they can sponsor the vessel. "breathe," for instance, or their surfaces will become clouded with a growth that thrives on dead air. So, much as the conference

nated part of the basement for the museum. There will be about \$1,000,000 worth of art beneath the conference parleys, and there will be special guards for it, in addition to the regular security men for the conference.

A more pressing problem was the finding of temporary quarters, for the museum, which specializes in modern art, has an average monthly attendance of 10,000, exhibits nearly 4,000 items a year and conducts mobile exhibits to small towns and other activities. The institution is privately supported for public benefit and conditions of its very existence require that it remain open all the time.

Miss Grace L. Morley, museum director, says quarters have been found, but the museum staff can't move into them until financial arrangements are completed and the State department has to "clear through Washington" on such a matter, which takes time.

Submarine Cobbler Launched At Groton

Groton Conn., April 1 (A)-The submarine Cobbler, the fourth launched here this year, today slid down the Electric Boat Company's victory yard ways into the Thames River. Mrs. James B. Rutter, of Bethesda, Md., was sponsor. Her husband a navy captain, is director of services in the Bureau of Naval Personnel at Washington.

Guests included Private Robert E. Falvey, Groton's "one-man army," just back from the European battlefields after distinguishing himself for heroism, and Lieut. Com. John H. Shilling, USNR, senior chaplain at the submarine

Cruiser Huntington To Be Launched Sunday

Philadelphia, April 1 (AP)-The 10,000-ton light cruiser U.S.S. Huntington, third navy ship to bear the name of the West Virginia city, will building Company, Camden, N.J.,
But storage space of anything is next Sunday, the 4th Naval District

Huntington, W.Va., widow of Lieu-

According to Jane's Fighting Ships, vessels of the Huntington class mount twelve 6-inch guns and twelve 5-inch guns and smaller antineeds every square inch of space aircraft armament and have a speed of over 33 knots. The average cost is \$31,000,000.

Crew Is Rescued From Plane In Sea

San Francisco, April 1 (AP)-A navy seaplane transport inbound from Pearl Harbor was forced down by engine trouble in a turbulent sea off San Francisco beach today.

All seven crew members were removed by raft to surface craft after a three-hour struggle in windwhipped waves as thousands of Easter holiday sightseers lined the ocean shore to witness the dramatic rescue.

The 12th Naval District said the plane was not damaged in landing and efforts would be made to tow it into harbor.

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IN SOUTHERN HUNGARY NORTH OF THE YUGOSLAV BORDER, TROOPS OF MARSHAL FEODOR I. TOLBUKHIN'S THIRD UKRAINE ARMY ADVANCED ON A 26-MILE FRONT BETWEEN LAKE BALATON AND THE DRAVA RIVER AND BATTERED THROUGH MORE THAN SO TOWNS AND VILLAGES TO CAPTURE SANC, A HALF MILE EAST OF THE RICH OIL CENTER OF NAGYKANIZSA.

GAINING SIX MILES NORTH OF THE DRAVA RIVER, THESE RUSSIAN FORCES, AIDED BY BULGARIANS, CAPTURED GYEKENYES, 56 MILES NORTHEAST OF ZAGREB, CAPITAL OF PUPPET CROATIA, AND WERE 130 MILES FROM YUGOSLAVIA'S ADRIATIC

THE SOVIET ARC BEING WELDED AROUND VIENNA AND BRATISLAVA EXTENDED THROUGH AUSTRIA, NORTHWESTERN HUNGARY AND SLOVAKIA AS THE SECOND AND THIRD UKRAINE ARMIES CLOSED IN ON THE CITIES ALONG AND BEYOND BOTH BANKS OF THE DANUBE.

DRIVING ON VIENNA FROM THE SOUTH, MARSHAL TOLBUKHIN'S THIRD UKRAINE FORCES ADVANCED UP TO 11 MILES INSIDE AUSTRIA AFTER PUSHING THROUGH THE FORTIFIED 13-WAY RAIL CITY OF SOPRON, FORMER CAPITAL OF FERENC SZALASI'S HUNGARIAN PUPPET GOVERNMENT.

PLUNGING NORTHWARD ON A 31-MILE FRONT ON THE EAST END OF THE FRONT THEY SLASHED UP THE WEST SHORE OF VIENNA'S NEUSIEDLER SEE (LAKE) BARRIER AND CAPTURED RUST, 19 MILES EAST OF THE INDUSTRIAL CITY OF WIENER NEUSTADT.

THESE FORCES THREATENED I SWEEP UP THE LAKE SHORE AND REACH THE DANUBE, 21 MILES TO THE NORTH, CUTTING OFF THE ENEMY DEFENDERS OF THE BY-PASSED BRATISLAVA GAP. THEY ALREADY WERE WITHIN 15 MILES OF BRUCK, KEY DEFENSE POSITION ASTRIDE THE 18-MILE GATEWAY THAT EXTENDS FROM BRATISLAVA CITY TO THE NORTH SHORE OF NEUSIEDLER SEE.

FIVE MILES WEST OF RUST, ANOTHER ARMORED COLUMN CAPTURED TRAVERSDORF IN THEIR CLOSEST APPROACH TO VIENNA. THEY WERE SLIGHTLY LESS THAN 22 MILES FROM THE AUSTRIAN CAPITAL'S OUTSKIRTS. MILES FROM THE AUSTRIAN CAPITAL'S OUTSKIRTS.

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SOUTHEAST OF THIS POINT, OTHER HARD-HITTING UNITS CLIMBED OVER 2 1945

1,500-FOOT HILLS AND GAINED UP TO EIGHT MILES, TAKING FORCHTENAU AND
MATTERSDORF, EIGHT MILES SOUTHEAST OF WIENER NEUSTADT.

IN ANOTHER NINE-MILE PLUNGE, THE RUSSIANS OUTFLANKED WIENER NEUSTADT
ON THE SOUTH, STRUCK OVER 2,500-FOOT HILLS AND ROLLED DOWNHILL TO WIN
KIRCHAU, FOUR MILES SOUTH OF NEUNKIRCHEN. NEUNKIRCHEN, 30 MILES SOUTHWEST OF VIENNA, LIES ASTRIDE THE TRUNK RAILROAD LINKING ENEMY FORCES WEST OF VIENNA, LIES ASTRIDE THE TRUNK RAILROAD LINKING ENEMY FORCES IN ITALY WITH THE GREAT WAR ARSENALS OF AUSTRIA AND BOHEMIA.

THE ADVANCE CARRIED THE RUSSIANS ACROSS THE PITTEN RIVER VALLEY

MARSHAL RODION Y. MALINOVSKY'S SECOND UKRAINE ARMY HURTLED TOWARD BRAT-

ISLAVA AND VIENNA ALONG THE SOUTH AND NORTH BANKS OF THE DANUBE.

ON THE GREAT RIVER'S SOUTH BANK, HIS FORCES CRASHED THROUGH THE

CANAL-WEBBED DEFENSES LEADING TO THE BRATISLAVA GAP AND IN A NINE-MILE GAIN TOOK DUNAREMETE, 23 MILES SOUTHEAST OF THE SLOVAK CAPITAL AND 31 MILES EAST SOUTHEAST OF BRUCK IN THE GAP.

ON THE NORTH BANK, MALINOVSKY'S TROOPS SLASHED FORWARD ALONG A 70-MILE FRONT TOWARD BRATISLAVA, BEYOND WHICH WAS ONLY THE MORAVA RIVER BEFORE VIENNA. THEY SEIZED MORE THAN 100 TOWNS AND VILLAGES.

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EASTER LONDON, APRIL 1-(AP)-HIGH-HEARTED BRITONS CELEBRATED EASTER TODAY, BY DWIGHT L.PITKIN ALTHOUGH TOWN AND COUNTRY HAD NO SPARKLING PARADES OF FINE RAIMENT NOR GAY HUNTS FOR COLORED EGGS ON THIS SIXTH EASTER OF THE WAR. THE PEOPLE TOOK INSPIRATION FROM THE SWELLING VICTORY NEWS PROCLAIMED FROM PULPIT

AND PLATFORM, IN THE PRESS AND AT THE MICROPHONE.
THE ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY EXCLAIMED THAT A "GLOW OF VICTORY IS SURGING THROUGH OUR VEINS, " PUT WARNED IT WOULD BE A HOLLOW TRIUMPH IF "THINGS DEAR TO GOD". WERE NEGLECTED.

IN A MESSAGE TO REPATRIATED FRENCH PRISONERS AND DEPORTEES, THE MOST REV. BERNARD GRIFFIN, CATHOLIC ARCHBISHOP OF WESTMINSTER, SAID HE THANKED GOD FOR VICTORY. OTHER RELIGIOUS LEADERS BESPOKE A BELIEF WHICH ACCEPTED VICTORY AS VIRTUALLY AN ACCOMPLISHED FACT.

IN THE BOMB-BATTERED COMMUNITIES OF SOUTHERN ENGLAND, ALMOND TREES FLOWERED LIKE THE DOGWOOD IN KENTUCKY. CONVERSATIONS THERE CENTER NO LONGER ON THE WAR BUT ON VEGETABLE GARDENS AND THE FEW LITTLE PLOTS OF FLOWERS THAT HAVE BEEN CAREFULLY NURTURED THROUGH THE STORM.

MOST OF THE CHILDREN ARE BACK AND GOING TO THEIR REGULAR SCHOOLS AGAIN. THEY HAD BEEN EVACUATED TO SAFER AREAS -- AS IN 1940 AND 1941--WHEN BUZZ BOMBS AND ROCKETS "BECAME STICKY."

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AS THE AMERICANS CONTINUED THEIR EASTWARD THRUSTS, THE FIRST ARMY CAPTURED PADERBORN, IMPORTANT HIGHWAY JUNCTION 50 MILES EAST OF MUENS-TER; THE THIRD ARMY OCCUPIED THE COMMUNICATIONS CENTER OF HERSFELD, 38 MILES SOUTH OF KASSEL, AND THE SEVENTH ARMY FOUGHT INTO MARIENBURG, JUST ACROSS THE RIVER MAIN FROM THE CITY OF WUERZBURG, 55 MILES NORTHWEST OF NUERNBERG.

THE WORK, ETC., FIFTH GRAF.

ASSOCIATED PRESS CORRESPONDENT EDWARD D.BALL SAID THE FOURTH ARMORED DIVISION HAD BROKEN THROUGH FIERCE ENEMY RESISTANCE WHICH HAD BY SOVIET SPEARHEADS WHICH DROVE TO WITHIN 39 MILES OF THE CITY SATURDAY. WEST OF THE FULDA RIVER FROM A POINT FIVE MILES SOUTH OF KASSEL TO THE MARSHAL RODION Y MAIL NOVSKY'S SECOND HERATINE AREA

FULDA ITSELF WAS BY-PASSED ON THE NORTH AS THE SIXTH ARMORED DIVISION FORCED A CROSSING OF THE RIVER 14 MILES SOUTH OF KASSEL.

THE SEVENTH ARMY'S 12TH ARMORED DIVISION PLUNGED IN AN OVERNIGHT DRIVE TO THE RIVER MAIN NEAR OCHSENFURT AND ANOTHER COLUMN REACHED BAD MERGENTHEIM IN THE SAME VICINITY.

IN THIS AREA LT.GEN. ALEXANDER M. PATCH'S TROOPS WERE 45 MILES FROM NUERNBERG, GERMANY'S 16TH CITY WITH A POPULATION OF 430,850, AND WITHIN 124 MILES OF MUNICH, THE BAVARIAN CAPITAL.

ONE FORCE, ENTERING THE TOWN OF KIRCHHEIM, FOUND AN UNDERGROUND TANK

THE ENEMY CONTINUED TO FIGHT FIERCELY INSIDE ASCHAFFENBURG, WHICH ONCE WAS REPORTED CLEARED, BUT THE 45TH DIVISION ADVANCED BEYOND THE CITY TO A POINT SIX MILES PAST THE MAIN RIVER.

THE FRENCH FIRST ARMY LINKED UP WITH THE SEVENTH ARMY AT HOCKENHEIM.

TEN MILES SOUTH OF MANNHEIM.

THE THIRD ARMY WAS BARELY MORE THAN 200 MILES FROM RUSSIANS ON THE NEISSE RIVER SOUTHEAST OF BERLIN. THE SEVENTH WAS 315 MILES FROM SOVIET TROOPS STRIKING INTO AUSTRIA.

LATEST AVAILABLE DISPATCHES TOLD OF HEAVY FIGHTING SATURDAY IN THE AREA OF PADERBORN, ABOUT MIDWAY BETWEEN KASSEL AND MUENSTER. FIRST ARMY TROOPS BATTLED THERE TOWARD SNAPPING COMPLETELY SHUT THE TRAP ON THE RUHR. SOME GERMANS FOUGHT FROM BEHIND DUG-IN TANKS.

TWO OR THREE GERMAN DIVISIONS OF PERHAPS 40,000 TROOPS IN THE RUHR WERE KNOWN TO HAVE PULLED OUT OF THE AREA ALONG THE RHINE BETWEEN DUISBURG AND BONN, BUT IT WAS DOUBTFUL IF THEY HAD BEEN ABLE TO MAKE GOODT THE COLUMNSPE.

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GOOD THEIR ESCAPE.

TWO COLUMNS OF THE THIRD ARMY'S FOURTH ARMORED DIVISION CHARGED WITHIN 165 MILES OF BERLIN. ONE SLICED THROUGH FOR 12 MILES TO THE AREA OF BOSSERODE, 14 MILES WEST OF EISENACH AND 33 SOUTHEAST OF KASSEL. ANOTHER ADVANCED FIVE MILES TO NEAR HERINGEN, 13 SOUTHWEST OF EISENACH. THE GERMANS THREW TANKS INTO HEAVY FIGHTING NEAR HERINGEN.

IN THE BOSSERODE-HERINGEN AREA THE THIRD WAS ON OR NEAR THE WERRA RIVER. THE GERMAN HIGH COMMAND SAID AMERICANS HAD REACHED THE WERRA, WHICH FARTHER NORTHEAST WINDS WITHIN 145 MILES OF BERLIN, BUT

IT DID NOT SPECIFY THE SECTOR.

DEMOLITIONS AND STERN GERMAN RESISTANCE CHECKED THE SIXTH ARMORED DIVISION FIVE MILES SOUTH OF KASSEL, INDUSTRIAL STRONGHOLD 165 MILES FROM THE REICH CAPITAL, AFTER IT HAD DASHED 85 MILES FROM THE MAIN RIVER.

THE GERMANS SAID TANKS WHICH REACHED KASSEL'S SOUTHERN SUBURBS

"WERE HELD IN THE BARRACK QUARTERS AND LARGELY DESTROYED."

ANOTHER SIXTH ARMORED COLUMN TURNING NORTHEAST REACHED THE FULDA

RIVER NEAR NEUMORSHEIN, 18 MILES SOUTH OF KASSEL.

THE 11TH ARMORED DIVISION SENT SPEARHEADS ON 20-MILE GAINS SATURDAY TO THE VICINITY OF GROSSENLUEDER, SIX MILES NORTHWEST OF FULDA, AND

WALLROTH, 13 SOUTHWEST OF FULDA.

THE THIRD ARMY'S 26TH INFANTRY DIVISION KEPT ALMOST ABREAST OF THE 11TH'S ADVANCES, AND THE 90TH INFANTRY WORKING WITH THE FOURTH ARMORED PUSHED ON 13 MILES. THE 76TH INFANTRY, CLEANING OUT A POCKET OF GERMAN FANATICS NORTH OF FRANKFURT, OVERRAN 15 VILLAGES AND REACHED A POINT 15 MILES SOUTH OF GIESSEN.

THE THIRD ARMY'S BAG OF PRISONERS SATURDAY WAS ESTIMATED AT 15,000, AND ITS TOTAL IN 10 DAYS ROSE TO 60,000, ONLY HALF OF WHOM HAD YET BEEN PROCESSED. MEN OF THE THIRD ALSO LIBERATED 70 U.S. AIRMEN IN

AFBACH, TWO MILES SOUTH OF ERSFELD.

AN OVERNIGHT DASH BY THE 12TH ARMORED DIVISION OF THE SEVENTH ARMY REACHED TO THE MAIN RIVER NEAR OCHSENFURT, 45 MILES NORTHWEST OF THE NAZIS' SHRINE CITY OF NUERNBERG, AND 124 FROM MUNICH, SITE OF HITLER CELEBRATIONS.

OTHER SEVENTH ARMY TROOPS 10 MILES NORTH WERE OUTSIDE WUERZPURG, MAIN RIVER STRONGHOLD OF 108,000. THE SE FORCES WERE 60 OR MORE

MILES EAST OF THE RHINE.

SIXTH ARMY GROUP HEADQUARTERS DISCLOSED IT WAS THE 10TH ARMORED DIVISION WHICH MADE CONTACT WITH THE FRENCH FIRST ARMY WEST OF HOCKENHEIM SATURDAY AFTER THE FRENCH JUMPED THE RHINE NEAR SPEYER. THE 10TH PUSHED FOUR MILES PAST WALLDORF DOWN AN AUTOBAHN THROUGH THE SARDT WOODS.

WE WERE COLD ALL OF THE TIME, " ONE YANK FROM THE SOUTH SAID.

A TYPICAL DAY'S MENU CONSISTED OF: BREAKFAST: ONE CUP OF TEA OR ONE CUP OF ERSATZ COFFEE, NOT BOTH; DINNER: ONE CANTEEN CUP OF SOUP MADE OF DEHYDRATED GREENS OR BARLEY OR PEAS; SUPPER: ONE-SIXTH OF A LOAF OF BREAD PLUS ONE PAT OF MARGARINE (LATELY THE BREAD RATION WAS CUT TO ONE-SEVENTH TO ONE-TENTH OF A LOAF PER MAN.)

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AT 10:30 P.M. FLOODLIGHTS WERE THROWN ON THE FACADE OF NOTRE DAME. THROUGHOUT THE DAY AND EVENING PARIS STREETS WERE CROWDED WITH EASTER PROMENADERS. THERE WAS NO BRIGHT SUNSHINE BUT THE DAY WAS FAIRLY PLEASANT, THE GRASS WAS GREEN AND THE TREES WERE IN LEAF AFTER ONE OF THE WORST WINTER'S IN PARIS HISTORY.

TOMORROW THE CITY WILL RECEIVE THE CROSS OF LIBERATION FROM GEN. DE GAULLE WITH CEREMONIES INCLUDING A PARADE. FOR THIS THE CITY HAS BEEN BEDECKED WITH FLAGS AND HUGE COPIES OF ITS SEAL.

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THE 300-FOOT HILL, COMMANDING THE ROAD TO ARNHEM, 15 MILES NORTHWEST, AND DOMINATING THE RHINE CROSSINGS AT EMMERICH, FELL WITH COMPARATIVE EASE TO LE REGIMENT DE LA CHAUDIERE OF LAKE MEGANTIC, QUE. CAPTURE OF A SECURITY BLASSUT STILL COVERS THE CANADIAN MOVEMENT AND NAMES OF THE DUTCH TOWNS LIBERATED, BUT THERE WERE INDICATIONS IT WOULD BE LIFTED SOON.

THE CALGARY HIGHLANDERS AND THE BLACK WATCH MADE THE LONGEST ADVANCE OF THE DAY -- TEN MILES IN THE GENERAL AREA EAST OF ARNHEM. THREE SMALL TOWNS WERE LIBERATED AND THE TWO BATTALIONS ALSO ENTERED ANOTHER TOWN OF CONCIDERABLE SIZE.

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WHERE GOEBBELS LAVISH BED ONCE STOOD BEFORE PLUSH CURTAINS 10 FEET HIGH AND 30 FEET WIDE WES GALLAGHER, ASSOCIATED PRESS WAR CORRESPONDENT, ROLLED OUT HIS SLEEPING BAG BEGRIMED WITH THE DUST FROM AFRICA, ITALY, SICILY AND FRANCE. GORDON GAMMACK, DES MOINES REGISTER TRIBUNE, CORRESPONDENT, SNORED LIKE AN IOWA FARMER.

MAJ. BARNEY OLDFIELD, A NATIVE OF NEBRASKA BUT MORE RECENTLY FROM HOLLYWOOD, TOOK OVER THE 23-ROOM CHATEAU FROM THE 29TH DIVISION. HE HAS HAD SO MANY VISITORS THAT HE DETAILED PFC.ELI WEISMAN. 645 WEST END AVE., NEW YORK, WHO USED TO WORK ON WJZ SHOWS, TO CONDUCT TOURS. GOEBBELS APPARENTLY WAS FOND OF MOVIE ACTRESSES, BECAUSE THE MOST THUMBED BOOK IN THE HUGE LIBRARY IS A SMALL VOLUME CONFAINING THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF EVERY ACTRESS IN GERMANY.

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BY HAL BOYLE (180) WITH THE U.S.FIRST ARMY IN GERMANY, APRIL 1-(AP)-TANK COLUMNS OF THE U.S.FIRST AND NINTH ARMIES LINKED UP TODAY NEAR LIPPSTADT, SEVEN MILES SOUTHWEST OF PADERBORN, POCKETING AN ESTIMATED 75,000 TO 100,000
MILES SOUTHWEST OF PADERBORN, POCKETING AN ESTIMATED 75,000 TO 100,000
NAZI TROOPS AND SEVERING THE RICH INDUSTRIAL RUHR VALLEY FROM THE RICH. BUMPED INTO THE GERMAN FANATICS SATURDAY NIGHT. RESISTANCE WAS AS THE TANK PINCER SNAPPED SHUT AROUND THE LARGEST GERMAN COMBAT FORCE REMAINING ON THE WESTERN FRONT, THE TRAPPED GERMANS REDOUBLED THEIR EFFORTS TO BREAK OUT EASTWARD TOWARDS BERLIN. THEY WERE SURROUNDED IN A ROUGH RECTANGLE EXTENDING 80 MILES EAST

AND WEST AND SO MILES NORTH AND SOUTH -- 4,800 SQUARE MILES. AHEAD OF THEM IS A GRINDING BATTLE OF SEVERAL DAYS, ENDING IN

DISASTER, FOR THERE IS NO WAY OF ESCAPE.

IN THE VAST TRAP THERE WERE AT LEAST 25,000 TO 30,000 GERMAN COMBAT

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THE HISTORIC JOINING OF THE FIRST AND NINTH ARMIES -A PRESUMES TO COMPLETE DESTRUCTION OF HITLER'S FORCES ON THE WESTERN FRONT --- WAS MADE BY COLUMNS UNDER COL. SIDNEY HINDS OF NASHVILLE, TENN., OF THE SECOND ARMORED DIVISION AND BRIG. GEN. DOYLE O. HICKET OF CAMDEN, ARK. LEADING THE FIRST ARMY'S THIRD ARMORED DIVISION.

THE COLUMNS LINKED AT 3:30 P.M. AFTER THIRD ARMORED DIVISION TANKS HAD DRIVEN 18 MILES THROUGH A REGION STILL FULL OF POCKETS OF ENEMY

RESISTANCE.

ANOTHER COLUMN SPEARED INTO PADERBORN AND CAPTURED IT. THE APPROACHES TO PADERBORN HAD BEEN STUBBORNLY DEFENDED IN 48 HOURS OF BITTER FIGHTING BY NAZI FORCES DETERMINED TO KEEP THAT VITAL ROAD NET-WORK OPEN SO THAT SOME OF THE TRAPPED RUHR GARRISONS COULD ESCAPE. THE ENEMY THREW INTO BATTLE EVERYTHING HE HAD IN THE AREA, EVEN USING WOMEN BAZOOKA TEAMS TO FIGHT AMERICAN TANKS. SOME WOMEN WERE CAPTURED ON THE PADERBORN FRONT.

ONE OF THE BIGGEST EFFORTS TO BREAK OUT OF THE AMERICAN TRAP WAS AT WINTERBERG, 40 MILES SOUTHWEST OF PADERBORN, BUT AMERICAN FIGHTER-BOMBERS WENT TO WORK ON THE ENEMY COLUMNS AND CLAIMED SO VEHICLES

DESTROYED AND 40 DAMAGED.

WEST OF SIEGEN, WHICH IS 43 MILES EAST OF COLOGNE, AMERICAN INFANTRY SHOVED ACROSS THE SIEG RIVER, SOUTHERN BOUNDARY OF THE POCKET, IN ONE OF THE FIRST STEPS TAKEN TO COMPRESS AND DESTROY THE ISOLATED GERMANS. CLOSING OF THE TRAP INCREASED THE PERIL OF THE GERMANS LOCKED

WITH THE BRITISH AND CANADIANS NORTH OF THE RUHR.

"ENEMY TROOPS WORTH OF THE POCKET ARE CUT OFF FROM SUPPLIES," SAID MAJ. BERNARD BRUNGS OF COVINGTON, KY. "THEY MAY TRY A DUTCH DUNKERQUE AND SEEK TO HOLD ONTO COASTAL CITIES, BUT IF I WERE A GERMAN COMMANDER AND WERE TOLD TO GET MY TROOPS OUT OF THAT POCKET I THINK I WOULD RESIGN."

IN EFFECT, THAT IS WHAT MANY GERMAN TROOPS ALREADY ARE DOING. THEY ARE GIVING UP, DESERTING OR POSING AS CIVILIANS BY THE THOUSANDS.

THE U.S.FIRST ARMY TOOK 10,843 PRISONERS YESTERDAY, RAISING ITS TOTAL FOR A WEEK TO 52,000. RW902PEW

BY THOBURN WIANT (310)

WITH U.S. THIRD ARMY FORCES ATTACKING SOUTH OF KASSEL, GERMANY, APRIL 1-(AP)-A FANATICAL BAND OF GERMAN TROOPS, PRODDED BY ELITE GUARD OVERSEERS, WAS BEING WIPED OUT METHODICALLY TONIGHT BY THE U.S. SIXTH ARMORED AND SOTH INFANTRY DIVISIONS JUST SOUTH OF KASSEL.

AFTER ADVANCING MORE THAN 62 MILES IN 12 HOURS, THE SIXTH ARMORED SO FIERCE THAT THE TROOPS COMMANDED BY COL.ALBERT HARRIS OF RENO, NEV., HAD TO WAIT UNTIL DAYLIGHT TO BEGIN CHOPPING THE ENEMY TO BITS.

TWO COLUMNS OF THE SIXTH ARMORED LED BY MAJ. PAUL C.ROOT, JR., OF 3693 SEVENTH AVE., SAN DIEGO, CALIF., AND LT.COL.HAROLD DAVALL OF WASHINGTON, D.C., BEAT UP THE GERMAN TOWNS FROM WHICH THE ENEMY'S SELF-PROPELLED GUNS, BAZOOKAS AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS WERE BEING FIRED.

TONIGHT THE SOTH INFANTRY WAS PASSING THROUGH THE SIXTH ARMORED RANKS LESS THAN SIX MILES FROM KASSEL, A GREAT CENTER OF LOCOMOTIVE, AUTOMOBILE, AIRPLANE AND SURGICAL INSTRUMENT MANUFACTURES WHICH HAD A PEACETIME POPULATION OF 220,000.

RESISTANCE OF THE TYPE BEING OFFERED BY THE FANATICS SOUTH OF KASSEL IS TO BE EXPECTED IN SOME SECTORS FROM NOW UNTIL THE END OF THE WAR, DEPENDING ON THE NATURE OF THE INDIVIDUALS IN COMMAND.

THE SIXTH ARMORED ENCOUNTERED LITTLE OPPOSITION UNTIL IT REACHED SOUTH OF KASSEL BECAUSE THE ENEMY COMMANDERS UP TO THAT POINT HAD SEEN THE HANDWRITING ON THE WALL.

THOSE RESISTING SOUTH OF KASSEL HAD EVERYTHING TO LOSE AND NOTHING TO GAIN BY RESISTING. TOWNS THROUGHOUT THE AREA WERE BEING REDUCED TO RUBBISH. ELSEWHERE, WHERE THERE WAS NO RESISTANCE, THE AMERICAN ARMOR SWEPT THROUGH, LEAVING FEW MARKS.

THE MAYOR OF KASSEL APPARENTLY IS ONE WHO WANTS TO SAVE HIS CITY FROM DESTRUCTION. FINDING THE TELEPHONE SYSTEM INTACT YESTERDAY, GERMAN-SPEAKING MEMBERS OF THE SIXTH ARMORED TALKED TO THE MAYOR AND QUOTED HIM AS SAYING, "WE WANT TO SURRENDER."

THE TROUBLE IS THAT HIS INFLUENCE DOES NOT SEEM TO EXTEND SOUTH OF THE CITY. APR 2 1945

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THIS OUTFIT CAPTURED TRIER WHEN IT STILL WAS PART OF THE THIRD
Y, AND IS COMMANDED BY MAJ-GEN. WILLIAM MORRIS. JR., OCEAN GROVE,
IT MOVED INTO HEIDELBERG WHEN THE 63RD INFANTRY PUSHED ON

FTER MOPPING UP THAT UNIVERSITY CITY. IT WAS ALSO DISCLOSED THAT THE VETERAN FOURTH INFANTRY DIVISION OMMANDED BY BRIG. GEN. HAROLD BLAKELEY OF MALDEN, MASS., AND WASHINGTON, D.C., WAS IN THE SEVENTH ARMY PUSH. THIS DIVISION HELPED CAPTURE CHERBOURG, AND SENT THE FIRST AMERICAN FORCE INTO PARIS.

OM THE NORTHERN SECTOR OF THE SEVENTH ARMY'S FRONT, STIFF

RESISTANCE EAST OF THE MAIN DELAYED THE 45TH AND THIRD INFANTRY DIVISIONS.

(A FRENCH BROADCAST QUOTING A FRENCH COMMUNIQUE SAID THE FRENCH FIRST ARMY WAS "MARCHING TOWARDS STUTTGART" AFTER CROSSING THE RHINE AT KARLSRUHE, 38 MILES NORTHWEST OF STUTTGART. THE FCC RECORDED THE BROADCAST.)

WITH THE COLLAPSE EAST OF THE RHINE, GERMANS MADE A ROAD-CHOKING RETREAT FROM THE ZUIDER ZEE AREA OF HOLLAND, AND ALLIED FIGHTERS AND BOMBERS WRECKED OR DAMAGED MORE THAN 800 TRANSPORTS CARRYING FLEEING TROOPS AND SUPPLIES

BURNING WRECKS BLOCKED ROADS IN THE ENSCHEDE AREA IN THE SOUTHEAST

CORNER OF HOLLAND. MANY TRANSPORTS WERE HORSE-DRAWN.

BY CONTRAST, AIR POWER WAS SUPPLYING SWIFT ALLIED COLUMNS WITH FUEL AND FOOD. SEVERAL HUNDRED C-47 TRANSPORTS FLEW IN 400,000 GALLONS OF GASOLINE IN A SINGLE DAY. THEY LANDED ON GERMAN FIELDS EAST OF THE RHINE, AND CARRIED OUT CASUALTIES.

BRIG. GEN. R.G. MOSES, SUPPLY OFFICER OF GEN. OMAR N. BRADLEY'S 2TH ARMY GROUP, SAID NONE OF BRADLEY'S COLUMNS HAS YET HAD TO CHECK ITS ADVANCE FOR LACK OF SUPPLIES.

EVERY AVAILABLE TRUCK HAS BEEN ORDERED INTO SERVICE ROLLING

AMMUNITION, FOOD, AND FUEL UP TO THE FRONT, AND THESE NOW ARE HAULING ROUGHLY TWICE THE TONNAGE CARRIED THROUGH FRANCE LAST SUMMER BY THE FAMOUS "RED BALL EXPRESS." WHICH SUPPLIED THE DASHES OUT OF NORMANDY. THE BRITISH SECOND ARMY'S PLUNGE FAR INTO GERMANY WAS ACHIEVED

WITH ASTOUNDINGLY LOW CASUALTIES, A FRONT DISPATCH SAID, AND GENERALLY AGAINST LITTLE MORE THAN ISOLATED OPPOSITION FROM RAW TROOPS OR LUFTWAFFE PERSONNEL HASTILY CONVERTED TO BATTLE GROUPS.

SEVERAL SPEARHEADS WERE 70 MILES BEYOND THE RHINE. ONE BATTALION IN THE LAST 24 HOURS KILLED 80 GERMANS, AND CAPTURED 180. WHILE LOSING TWO MEN KILLED AND EIGHT WOUNDED. SOME 2,000 PRISOMERS WERE TAKEN YESTERDAY, INCLUDING A GENERAL COUNT SCHULENBERG WHO SAID HE HAD ORGANIZED RESISTANCE IN COLOGNE AND OTHER LARGE

CANADIAN FORCES WERE PLUNGING NORTH AND WEST INTO HOLLAND AT A FAST

FIFTY MILES EAST OF COLOGNE, AMERICANS PUSHED ALONG THE SIEG RIVER AND FOUGHT INTO THE TOWN OF SIEGEN. BERLIN BROADCASTS SAID THE SIEGEN COMMANDER HAD REJECTED A SURRENDER DEMAND, AND THAT U.S. ATTEMPTS TO FORCE THE SIEG RIVER FAILED. WM 305PEW

TOP SCORER OF A NEGRO MUSTANG GROUP WAS LT. ROBERT W.WILLIAMS, 728 NORTH COOPER ST., OTTUMWA, IOWA, WHO SHOT DOWN TWO.

THIRTY-FIRST FIGHTER PILOTS CREDITED WITH TWO VICTORIES EACH WERE LT. ROLAND E. BARTON, 603 NORTH MORRISON AVE., COLLINSVILLE, ILL.; LT. ERNEST D. HACKNEY, WILSON, N.C.; LT. ROBERT R. BLANK, 510 WALNUT ST., PIQUA, OHIO; LT. JOHN I. MOORE, 116 SEVENTEENTH ST., BAKERSFIELD, CALIF., AND MAJ.JULIUS D'SHIVERS, JR., 311 EAST 153RD ST., BRONX, N.Y.

CAPT. RICHARD C.BARR, 1502 MARTIN ST., CAMP HILL, PA., WAS CREDITED WITH THE DAY'S BEST JOB. HE SHOT DOWN ONE GERMAN FIGHTER, DESTROYED SIX LOCOMOTIVES AND FIVE TANK CARS. APRA14 LDN 2 APR16 PBC

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ATHENS 2/4 ALEXANDER MYLONAS LEADER REPUBLICAN AGRARIAN PARTY SWORN IN TODAY AS FINANCE MINISTER SUCCEEDING GEROGE

SIDERIS WHO NOMINATED MINISTER WITHOUT PORTFOLIO. SIDERIS PROBABLY R. 3812 AEW

BECOME VICEPREMIER. 1404

BRITISH ARMOR WAS DESCRIBED AS RUNNING AT RANDOM IN THE INTERIOR OF THE POCKET IN THE LAST AS HOURS, ESTABLISHING A SERIES OF "PENS" IN WHICH SIZABLE UNITS OF JAPANESE ARE TRAPPED.

FANNING OUT FROM PYINZI, HALFWAY POINT BETWEEN MANDALAY AND MEIKTILA, SHIPPING IN YULIN HARBOR, ON THE SOUTH COASTM ONE COLUMN STRUCK THROUGH MAHLAING. ANOTHER PLUNGED WEST TO NATOGI

WHERE IT LINKED WITH ANOTHER BRITISH FORCE MOVING EAST FROM TAUNGTHA.

MEIKTILA FORCES ALSO HIT OUT TO THE NORTHEAST AND ESTABLISHED CONTACT WITH OTHER ALLIED FORCES AT WUNDWIN. THE RANGOON-MANDALAY RAILROAD FROM MANDALAY TO THAZI WAS CLEARED OF SUBSTANTIAL JAPANESE RESISTANCE.

OPERATIONS EAST OF TAUNGTHA CLEARED THE JAPANESE FROM IMPORTANT HILL POSITIONS. WITH THE ENEMY SUFFERING HEAVY CASUALTIES.

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FIRST LEAD PHILIPPINES

BY JAMES HUTCHESONMANILA, MONDAY, APRIL 2-(AP)-AN ADDITIONAL 10,971 JAPANESE
DEAD HAVE BEEN COUNTED AND 185 PRISONERS TAKEN IN THE
PHILIPPINES IN THE LAST FIVE DAYS, A PERIOD INCLUDING THE INVASIONS
OF CEBU, NEGROS, MACTAN AND CAUIT ISLANDS, GEN. DOUGLAS
MACARTHUR REPORTED TODAY.

AMERICAN LOSSES WERE GIVEN AS 340 KILLED, 48 MISSING AND 919

THE TOTAL ENEMY DEAD LISTED FOR THE ENTIRE PHILIPPINES CAMPAIGN EXCEPT THE GENERAL ALSO REPORTED

ANNOUNCED AMERICAN OVERALL CASUALTIES FOR THE CAMPAIGN ARE STILL BEACTHAN 20,000 KILLED, WOUNDED AND MISSING. FIGURES HAVE. NOT YET BEEN ISSUED ON SOME RECENT OPERATIONS.

MACARTHUR REPORTED THAT MAJ. GEN. RAPP BRUSH'S 40TH
INFANTRY DIVISION ON NEGROE ADVANCED FIVE MILES NORTH TO THE OUTSKIRTS
OF TALISAY IN THEIR SWIFT DRIVE FROM THE CAPTURED SUGAR PORT OF BACOLOD.
YANKS ON CEBU LIKEWISE SCORED A FIVE-MILE ADVANCE ON THE COASTAL
ROAD FROM LAHUG TO CONSOLACION, MEETING MODERATE RESISTANCE. SEVERAL
ENEMY INFILTRATION ATTEMPTS WERE PEATEN OFF.

ON LUZON, THE FIRST CAVALRY DIVISION PUSHED TO THE OUTSKIRTS OF ALAMINOS AND ALONG THE SOUTHERN SHORES OF LAGUNA DE BAY TO THE VICINITY OF SAN PABLO. RESISTANCE WAS STIFFENING TO THE NORTH ALONG THE UPPER MARIKINA RIVERLINE. NORTHFASTOF MANILA.

IN THE AIR WAR, HEAVY BOMBERS, ATTACK PLAES AND FIGHTERS ROCKED
THE SOUTHEASTERN LUZON PORT OF LEGASPI WITH 200 TONS OF BOMBS
AND SHOWERED 109 TONS ON TARGETS IN THE SULU ARCHIPELAGO.
WHICH STRETCHES BETWEEN MINDANAO AND BORNEO.

FORMOSA'S SUYAMA AIRDROME WAS RAKED BY HEAVY BOMBERS. A NUMBER OF PARKED PLANES WERE BURNED AND LARGE FIRES WERE STARTED.

MEDIUM BOMBERS ON THECHINASEA PATROLATTACKED JAPANESE

SHIPPING IN YULIN HARBOR, ON THE SOUTH COASTM APR 2 1945

MEDIUM BOMBERS ON THE CHINA SEA PATROL ATTACKED JAPANESE
SHIPPING IN YULIN HARBOR, ON THE SOUTH COAST OF HAINAM ISLAND,
DESTROYING OR SERIOUSLY DAMAGING A DESTROYER ESCORT, A MEDIUMSIZED MERCHANT SHIP AND SIX SMALLER VESSELS. ONE BOMBER WAS LOST.
HEAVY SEARCH PLANES, STRIKING AT MAST HEIGHT, DESTROYED OR
DAMAGED 10 SMALL FREIGHTERS NORTH OF MAKASSAR ON CELEBES ISLAND.

GEN. DOUGLAS MACARTHUR'S SUNDAY COMMUNIQUE DISCLOSED THAT YANK DOUGHBOYS OF MAJ.GEN. RAPP BRUSH'S 40TH INFANTRY DIVISION MOVED WITH SUCH SPEED TO ENVELOP BACOLOD FRIDAY THAT THE HARD-PRESSED JAPANESE HAD NO TIME TO SET OFF PREPARED DEMOLITION EXPLOSIONS. IT WAS EVIDENT THAT THE NIPPONESE INTENDED TO DEVASTATE BACOLOD AS THEY DID MANILA AND CEBU.

THE YANKS TOOK INTACT ALL OF THE BRIDGES SPANNING TWO RIVERS.
THEY RACED THROUGH BACOLOD NORTHWARD AND MECHANIZED UNITS WERE HITTING
FOR THE TALISAY AIRFIELD. A SMALL JAPANESE GROUP NEAR THE TOWN OF

THE GENERAL ALSO REPORTED THAT YANK FLIERS, BLOCKADING THE CHINA SEA, SANK 14 SHIPS, INCLUDING THREE DESTROYERS. THE AIRMEN BLASTED THE PHILIPPINE CITIES OF LEGASPI, DAVAO AND BAGUIO AND AGAIN HIT FORMOSA. FIRST CORPS TROOPS, DRIVING INTO THE BENGUET MOUNTAINS TOWARD BAGUIO, ADVANCED THREE MILES.

IN LUZON'S ZAMBALES MOUNTAINS THE YANKS COUNTED AN ADDITIONAL

IN LUZON'S ZAMBALES MOUNTAINS THE YANKS COUNTED AN ADDITIONAL 1,262 JAPANESE AD. THIS CARRIED JAPAN'S PHILIPPINE FATALITIES TO JUST ABOVE THE 300,000 MARK.

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BY RUSSELL BRINES (350)

MANILA, APRIL -(AP)-U.S. ARMY INVESTIGATORS SAID TODAY

AFFIDAVITS IN HAND SHOWED THE JAPANESE DESTROYED MORE THAN 90 PER

CENT OF THE SPANISH CONVENTS, CHURCHES AND RELIGIOUS HOUSES IN MANILA

DURING THE BATTLE FOR THE CITY AND KILLED AT LEAST 82 CATHOLIC

PRIESTS AND BROTHERS OF ALL NATIONALITIES.

FATHER TOMAS TASCON AFFIRMED THAT
THE JAPANESE BEGAN SYSTEMATIC DESTRUCTION OF HISTORIC CHURCHES IN THE
INTRAMUROS DISTRICT WHEN THE AMERICANS ENTERED MANILA FEB. 3.
THE PRIEST'S AFFIDAVIT SAID THE SPANISH CIVIL COLONY "SUFFERED

THE PRIEST'S AFFIDAVIT SAID THE SPANISH CIVIL COLONY "SUFFERED MORE THAN ANY OTHER" BECAUSE THE JAPANESE BLAMED SPANISH INFLUENCE FOR THE FILIPINOS REFUGAL TO COOPERATE.

MORE THAN 50 PERSONS, MOST OF THEM SPANIARDS, WERE BURNED TO DEATH IN THE SPANISH CONSULATE'S AIR RAID SHELTER OR BAYONETED IN THE GARDEN, TASCON SAID. THE CONSULATE WAS DESTROYED.

TASCON ESTIMATED SPANISH PROPERTY LOSSES IN MANILA AMOUNTED TO 90

PER CENT, INCLUDING BUSINESS HOUSES AND PRIVATE HOMES. INCOMPLETE REPORTS INDICATE THE LOSSES WERE LESS SEVERE IN THE PROVINCES.

HOWEVER, THE TOWN OF CALAMBA, LAGUNA PROVINCE, WAS COMPLETELY DESTROYED AND 5,000 FILIPINO MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN WERE KILLED THERE. THE DESTRUCTION INCLUDED A LARGE SUGAR CENTRAL OWNED BY THE DOMINICAN FATHERS.

JAPANESE DEMOLITION DESTROYED ALL HISTORIC CHURCH

PROPERTIES IN THE INTRAMUROS, EXCEPT THE STOUTLY BUILT SAINT AUGUSTIN CHURCH, WHICH STILL STANDS, AND THE SHELL-BATTERED NEW SECTION OF THE SAN JUAN DE LETRAN COLLEGE.

AMONG THE DESTROYED LANDMARKS OF THE INTRAMUROS WERE THE CATHEDRAL OF MANILA, THE ARCHBISHOP'S PALACE, FIVE OTHER CHURCHES AND CONVENTS AND SEVERAL HOSPITALS AND COLLEGES. THE LATTER INCLUDED THE PONTIFICAL UNIVERSITY OF SANTO TOMAS (NOT TO BE CONFUSED WITH THE SANTO TOMAS UNIVERSITY, USED TO INTERN AMERICANS). THIS WAS THE OLDEST UNIVERSITY UNDER THE AMERICAN FLAG.

THIRTY-FOUR OF THE PRIESTS KILLED WERE SPANISH FATHERS SLAIN IN THE INTRAMUROS. TASCON SAID THEY WERE DRIVEN INTO AIR RAID SHELTERS IN FRONT OF THE CATHEDRAL, HAND GRENADES WERE TOSSED AMONG THEM AND THE SHELTER ENTRANCES CLOSED WITH GASOLINE DRUMS AND EARTH. ONE SPANISH SISTER ALSO WAS KILLED, HE AFFIRMED.

THE AFFIDAVITS SAID 18 SPANISH PRIESTS WERE KILLED OUTSIDE THE

INTRAMUROS.

TASCON SAID: "IN ALL MANILA HOSPITALS, ONE FINDS SPANISH WOUNDED." MM 1008PPW

BY FRED HAMPSON (190)

MANILA, MONDAY, APRIL 1-(AP)-WHOLESALE ATROCITIES ON MANILA'S CIVILIANS WERE THE RESULT OF BATTLE ORDERS ISSUED TO TROOPS OF THE TRAPPED JAPANESE GARRISON INSIDE THE CITY AND NOT THE WORK OF ISOLATED GROUPS WHO TOOK MATTERS INTO THEIR OWN HANDS, CAPTURED JAPANESE DOCUMENTS STRONGLY SUGGESTED TODAY. THESE DOCUMENTS, SOME OF THEM MIMEOGRAPHED AND BOUND, WERE

SEIZED BY SOLDIERS OF THE U.S. ARMY'S 14TH CORPS.

HERE IS A PARAGRAPH FROM A JAPANESE BATTALION ORDER DATED FEB. 8: MANPOWER MUST NOT BE USED TO EXCESS. BECAUSE THE DISPOSAL OF DEAD
BODIES IS A TROUBLESOME TASK, THEY SHOULD BE GATHERED INTO HOUSES WHICH ARE SCHEDULED TO BE BURNED OR DEMOLISHED. THEY SHOULD ALSO BE THROWN
INTO THE RIVER."

ON JAPANESE WARSHIPS, BASES AND AIRFIELDS IN NIPPON'S INLAND SEA.
THE U.S. FORCES THEN MOVED SOUTHWESTWARD INTO THE RYUKYUS FOR INTENSIFIED BOMBARDMENTS WHICH STARTED MARCH 23.
WHILE 1500 NAVAL PLANES HAMMERED THE DVIKYUS IN THE RIVER.

A JAPANESE DIARY CONTAINED THESE LINES: "FEB. 3-- 150 GUERRILLAS WERE DISPOSED OF TONIGHT. I PERSON-

ALLY STABBED AND KILLED 10.

"FEB. 8--GUARDED 1, 164 GUERRILLAS NEWLY BROUGHT IN TODAY.

"FEB. 9--BURNED 1,000 GUERRILLAS TO DEATH TONIGHT." THE PATTERN OF THE ATROCITIES AS DESCRIBED IN AFFIDAVIT REPORTS IS SO SIMILAR AS TO SUGGEST STRONGLY THEY WERE BY GENERAL ORDER TO ALL JAPANESE TROOPS.

MM 10 30PPW NM

THERE WERE ABOUT 500 CIVILIANS ARMED WITH POINTED STICKS OR CRUDE KNIVES ON THE ISLAND, SAID CAPT. LOUIS C. HINSON, OF SCRANTON,

"THE JAP CIVILIANS WERE NOT TOLD THE AMERICANS WOULD KILL

THEM, " HINSON SAID. "THEY JUST FIGURED IT OUT FOR THEMSELVES."

ON ZAMAMI ISLAND SEVERAL CIVILIANS SUCCEEDED IN CUTTING THEIR THROATS. ONE SURLY FATHER SLASHED THE THROATS OF HIS WIFE AND DAUGHTER AND THEN TRIED TO CUT HIS OWN. HE FAILED IN ALL THREE CASES. AMERICAN ARMY MEDICAL MEN SAVED THE TRIO'S LIVES BY THE RAPID ADMIN-ISTRATION OF PLASMA AND ONE TRANSUFUSION OF WHOLE BLOOD DONATED BY ANOTHER ISLAND CIVILIAN.

4/9P225PPW time 77th Div. Amphib. Hogsher off heroms (Md) THE FIRST OUTFIT ASHORE ON AKA ISLAND WAS K COMPANY, THIRD BATTALION OF THE 305TH INFANTRY RES.3,5 :9. -. \$3\$ 76)5. COL. EDWARD CHALGREEN, JR., 1500 SENATE ST., COLUMBIA, SC.C.

THE 10TH-ARMY, COMPOSED OF THE 24TH ARMY CORPS AND MARINE
THIRD AMPHIBIOUS CORPS, NUMBERS PERHAPS 100,000 MEN. ITS TASK
IS TO TAKE THE 65-MILE LONG NARROW ISLAND WHICH IS DEFENDED BY AN Guan Olimania ESTIMATED 60,000 TO 80,000 JAPANESE.

NIMITZ SAID THAT MORE THAN 1400 SHIPS UNDER THE OVERALL COMMAND OF ADM. R.A. SPRUANCE, WERE INVOLVED IN THE OPERATION, WHICH HAD ITS PRELIMINARIES IN THE MARCH 18-19 CARRIER PLANE ATTACK

WHILE 1500 NAVAL PLANES HAMMERED THE RYUKYUS IN THE OPERATION IN PARTICIPATED, THE ARMY'S 77TH (STATUE OF LIBERTY) INFANTRY DIVISION INVADED THE KERAMA GROUP, WEST OF THE SOUTHERN TIP OF OKINAWA. ON MARCH 26.

THE 77TH, UNDER COMMAND OF MAJ. GEN. ANDREW BRUCE, SWEPT UP THE KERAMAS AND PUT HEAVY ARTILLERY IN PLACE TO SUPPORT THE OKINAWA LANDING.

CLOSEST PREVIOUS APPROACH TO THE JAPANESE HOMELAND WAS THE MARINES CAPTURE OF IWO JIMA, IN THE VOLCANO GROUP 750 AIR MILES SOUTH OF TOKYO. ORGANIZED JAPANESE RESISTANCE ENDED ON IWO MARCH

17. AFTER 26 DAYS OF BITTER FIGHTING.
"AS OUR SEA AND AIR BLOCKADE CUTS THE ENEMY OFF FROM THE WORLD AND AS OUR BOMBING INCREASES IN STRENGTH AND PROFICIENCY, OUR FINAL DECISIVE VICTORY IS ASSURED, NIMITZ SAID.

NEARLY 1,000 JAPANESE PLANES WERE DESTROYED BY ALLIED NAVAL

FLIERS IN SWEEPS OVER THE RYUKYUS PRELIMINARY TO THE INVASION. THE 77TH DIVISION LANDED ON THE KERAMAS ONLY FIVE ENEMY PLANES ATTEMPTED TO INTERFERE WITH THE OPERATION AND FOUR OF THEM WERE SHOT DOWN.

THE BITTEREST FIGHTING, EQUAL TO THAT ON IWO JIMA WHERE THE

JAPANESE FOUGHT TO THE LAST MAN, IS E PECTED ON OKINAWA.

CAPTURE OF OKINAWA WILL BE A MAJOR DEFEAT FOR NIPPON, AND THE ENEMY SOLDIERS CAN HAVE NO OTHER ORDERS THAN TO TRY TO STOP THE AMERICANS AT ALL COSTS.

"NO ONE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DEFENSE OF JAPAN COULD POSSIBLY OF CATE AN AMERICAN STAFF OFF

OVERLOOK THE IMPORTANCE OF OKINAWA, " SAID AN AMERICAN STAFF OFFICER.

THE TOTAL LENGTH OF THE COASTLINE IN THE OKINAWA LANDING AREA IS ABOUT EIGHT MILES, OF WHICH FIVE AND ONE HALF ARE USEABLE. THE IRREGULAR LANDING SHORE RUNS SOUTH FROM ZAMPA CAPE.

FARTHER SOUTH IS THE CITY OF NAHA, A NAVAL BASE WITH A GOOD

HARBOR. NAHA HAS ABOUT 60,000 OF OKINAW'S APPROXIMATELY

THE DEGREE OF FANATICISM IN THE OPPOSITION EXPECTED OF THE JAPANESE WAS DEMONSTRATED IN THE 77TH DIVISION'S EXPERIENCE IN THE KERAMAS, WHERE NEARLY 200 NIPPONESE CIVILIANS, MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN, WERE FOUND IN A GHASTLY SUICIDE PILE.

GRANT MCDONALD, ASSOCIATED PRESS CORRESPONDENT WITH THE 77TH SAID THE AMERICAN SOLDIERS COULD HARDLY BELIEVE THE BLOODY SIGHT BEFORE THEM AT THE SCANE, WHERE THE JAPANESE CIVILIANS KILLED THEMSELVES IN PREFERENCE TO CAPTURE BY AMERICAN "BARBARIANS."

WHILE ADMIRAL SPRUANCE, COMMANDER OF THE U.S. FIFTH FLEET,
IS IN TACTICAL COMMAND OF THE WHOLE RYUKYUS OPERATION, THE AMPHIB-THE BRITISH TASK FORCE, WHICH OPERATED AGAINST THE SAKISHIMA

GROUP IN THE SOUTHERN RYUKYUS, IS COMMANDED BY VICE ADM. SIR

THE AMPHIBIOUS OPERATION WHICH PUT THE 77TH DIVISION ASHORE IN THE KERAMAS WAS HEADED BY REAR ADM. I. N. KILAND, WITH REAR

ADM. W.H.P. BLANDY, COMMANDER OF THE AMPHIBIOUS SUPPORT FORCE,
IN GENERAL CHARGE, NIMITZ SAID.
THE CARRIER TASK FORCE, WHICH SINCE MARCH 18 HIT TIME AND
AGAIN AT THE JAPANESE FROM KYUSHU ISLAND IN THE ENEMY HOMELAND TO THE RYUKYUS. WAS COMMANDED BY VICE ADM. MARC A. MITSCHER.

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MARINE THIRD AMPHIBIOUS CORPS.

THE 77TH DIVISION FOUGHT AT GUAM AND PARTICIPATED IN THE LEYTE CAMPAIGN IN THE PHILIPPINES. WHILE DIVISIONS ON OKINAWA WERE NOT IMMEDIATELY IDENTIFIED. IT IS KNOWN THAT THEY ARE COMPOSED OF SOLDIERS AND MARINES WHO FOUGHT ON GUADALCANAL, TARAWA, SAIPAN

AIRFIELDS ON OKINAWA WOULD PUT THE ALLIES ONLY 400 MILES EAST OF THE CHINA COAST, AND PROVIDE BASES FROM WHICH ALLIED AIR POWER COULD THROTTLE JAPANESE SHIPPING LANES IN THE EAST CHINA SEA, JUST AS PHILIPPINE-BASED PLANES NOW COMMAND THE SOUTH CHINA SEA.

OKINAWA-BASED AIRCRAFT ALSO COULD STRIKE AT WILL AT JAPAN'S SOUTH COAST, SUPPLEMENTING THE SUPERFORTRESS BLOWS WHICH HAVE BEEN MOUNTED FROM THE MARIANAS SINCE LAST NOVEMBER, AND ALSO COULD HIT GUAM, APRIL 1-(AP)-MAJ.GEN.JOHN REED HODGE, 51, COMMANDING THE 24TH ARMY CORPS IN THE U.S. 10TH ARMY INVASION OF OKINAWA, IS A VETERAN CAMPAIGNER AGAINST THE JAPANESE ON GUADALCANAL, NEW GEORGIA AND BOUGAINVILLE IN THE SOLOMONS, AND LEYTE ISLAND IN THE

HODGE IS A STOCKY, VIGOROUS COMMANDER WHO LIKES TO GO CLOSE TO THE FRONT TO KEEP IN TOUCH WITH THE ACTION. DURING THE BITTER JAPANESE COUNTERATTACK AGAINST TH AMERICAN PERIMETER AROUND BOUGAIN-VILLE AIRFIELDS, WHERE HE COMMANDED THE AMERICAL DIVISION. HODGE WAS WOUNDED DURING A FRONTLINE TOUR AND RECEIVED THE PURPLE

ON LEYTE, WHERE HE COMMANDED THE 24TH CORPS IN ITS FIRST CAMPAIGN, A SHELL FRAGMENT FROM AN AMMUNITION DUMP EXPLODED BY A JAPANESE BOMB TORE A BIG HOLE IN HIS TENT, BUT HODGE, SLEEPING IN A FOXHOLE INSIDE THE TENT, WASNOT TOUCHED.

DURING THE LEYTE CAMPAIGN, HODGE, A NATIVE OF CARBONDALE, LINES. HIS PLANE WAS HIT SEVERAL TIMES BY SMALL ARMS FIRE.

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OPPONENTS, BUT AT LEYTE AFTER THE ENEMY HAD OFFERED OPPOSITION TO INITIAL LANDINGS HE SAID, "GIVE THE JAPS A PLACE TO RUN TO AND HE'LL RUN."

EDUCATED AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS, HODGE FOUGHT IN THE FIRST WORLD WAR AT ST.MIHIEL AND IN THE MEUSE-ARGONNE DRIVE, AS AN

HIS BRILLIANT LEADERSHIP AT MUNDA IN THE SOLOMONS WON HIM THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL AND A COMMENDATION FROM THE LATE LT. GEN. MILLARD F. HARMON, THEN COMMANDING ARMY FORCES IN THE SOUTH

HODGE'S WIFE AND DAUGHTER LIVE AT BIRMINGHAM, ALA.

BY JAMES LINDSLEY
OKINAWA, RYUKYU ISLANDS, APRIL 1-(AP)-THE THIRD MARINE
AMPHIBIOUS CORPS SWEPT ASHORE WITH ASTONISHING EASE TODAY ON THE REEF ENCIRCLED SHORES OF OKINAWA AS THE UNITED STATES LAUNCHED ITS BIGGEST OPERATION AGAINST THE JAPANESE ENEMY.

THE MARINES ENCOUNTERED AMAZINGLY LITTLE OPPOSITION IN THE FIRST PHASE OF AN OPERATION, IN WHICH HEAVY CASUALTIES HAD BEEN EXPECTED. REPORTS WERE THAT CASUALTIES ON THE FIRST DAY WERE ALMOST

MAJ.GEN.ROY S.GEIGER, COMMANDING THE MARINES, EXPRESSED FRANK AMAZEMENT AT THE EASE WITH WHICH THE LANDINGS WERE EFFECTED. THE BEACHES ARE FRINGED BY REEFS AND MANY AMPHIBIOUS TRACTORS HAD GEIGER AND HIS STAFF THIS AFTERNOON VISITED THE GROUND OVER WHICH THE MARINES STORMED SO SWIFTLY. THE OFFICERS WERE PLAINLY

PUZZLED OVER THE LACK OF RESISTANCE.

"MAYBE THEY HAVE SOMETHING UP THEIR SLEEVE," SAID GEIGER, UNWILLING TO BELIEVE THE INITIAL ADVANCES COULD BE MADE SO EASILY. "BUT AFTER ALL THEY HAVE LOTS OF ISLANDS AND THEY CAN'T FORTIFY THEM ALL TO THE HILT."

THROUGHOUT THE MARINE AREA THERE WERE HUNDREDS OF CAVES-APPARENT-LY EVEN MORE THAN ON CAVE-STUDDED IWO JIMA WHICH THE MARINES

RECENTLY CAPTURED FROM THE JAPANESE.

IN THE PAST THE JAPANESE HAVE BEEN NOTORIOUS FOR FORTIFYING CAVES WITH GUNS, BUT THERE WAS NO EVIDENCE OF ARTILLERY OR MORTARS IN THESE CAVES, AND NO INDICATION THERE EVER WERE ANY.

FACING THE MARINE LANDING BEACHES WERE IDEAL POTENTIAL GUN POSITIONS.

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BY ELMOT WALTE

ADVERTISING COPY URITER OF PORTLAND, ORE., HAS HADE HIS OWN HENS-PAPER JOB AT THIS WEST PACIFIC BASE.

HE STARTED WITH A USED DENTAL PROBE FOR A STYLUS, FOUND A MAND-POWER DUPLICATING MACHINE, DECEMB SCRAPS OF NEWS FROM THIS SOURCE AND THAT SOURCE—AND ALL AT ONCE THE OFFICERS AND NEW BECAM READING MENS SHEETS EACH MORNING AT DREAKFAST.

ASSOCIATED PRESS. HE EVEN HAS A COMMISSIONED OFFICER FOR AN ASSISTANT—EMS. LLOTD H. MORNAM, FORMER WASHINGTON REPORTER FOR APR 2 1945

"I'M OUTLAND'S REVRITE MAN," EXPLAINS ENSIGN MORNAM.
THEY MOPE TO MAVE REAL PRINTING PRESSES SOME DAY, BUT GUAN WAS

SUAN WAS SEVEN STENGEL-PRODUCED NEWSPAPERS, EACH PREPARED BY A SEPARATE MILITARY UNIT, AND OUTLAND IS SIVING ALL OF THEM ACCESS TO MIS NEWS REPORT EACH MIGHT.

OCESCION OF THAT STRATEGIC ISLAND BY THE NEW YANK LOTH ARMY.

THE OFFICER, LT. FREDERICK POT (NO ADDRESS CIVEN DUT PRODUCT P

FOR WAS SHOT DOWN MARCH 25 SOUTH OF KADENA AIRFIELD, SOUTH

PLANE AND THEN DEPARTED, PRODABLY THINKING HE WAS DEAD.

LEAVING THE AREA, THE LIEUTEMANT SHOT A SAPANESE SOLDIER WHO HAD APPROACHED AUGSTSONINGLY. HE SLEPT IN CAVES AT HIGHT AND VALUED DUTHWARD TOWARD MANA CITY ALONG THE WEST BEACH BY DAY.

THE OFFICER SAID HE HOTICED THAT ORINANA HAD MUCH HIGHT LIFE WITH SIGHT HERE WHEN HE HOTELING CAVES WITH SOLDIERS. APR 2 1945 FOR FOUND A BOAT ON THE BEACH. HE DOSED UNDER IT AND SHOT A JAPANESE WHO PEERED AT HIM. HE GOT ANOTHER BOAT INTO THE WATER WHOR GOVER OF DARWIESS AND DRIFTED 2,000 YARDS OFFSHORE. AT DAY-LIGHT HE WAS DRIFTING DACK IN SO HE USED HIS DYE MARKER TO ATTRACT

A CRUISER PLANE LANDED HEAR HIM BUT THE PONTOON WAS DAMAGED AND IT COULD NOT TAKE OFF. AN AMERICAN WARSHIP FINALLY SENT OUT A SMALL BOAT TO RESCUE THE LIEUTEMANT AND THE OTHER PROOF.

ST LEAD

ROBBIN COONS

THE ATTENTION OF AMERICAN PLANES.

WITH ARMY ASSAULT FORCES, OKINAWA, APRIL 1-(AP)-AMERICAN
TENTH ARMY TROOPS INVADING OKINAWA TODAY FOUND THE JAPANESE HAD LEFT
VALUABLE AIRFIELDS INTACT AS THEY FLED.

THE ARMY'S 24TH CORPS TROOPS QUICKLY CAPTURED THE KADENA AIRFIELD AFTER SWARMING ASHORE INTO THE FACE OF THE RISING SUN. TITUDIQUEER IMPORTANT

AIRFIELD AFTER SWARMING ASHORE INTO THE FACE OF THE RISING SUN.
TWO OTHER IMPORTANT FIELDS WERE SECURED BY OTHER UNITS.

THIS LARGEST AMPHIBIOUS OPERATION OF THE PACIFIC WAR WAS ALSO TURNING OUT TO BE THE EASIEST SINCE KISKA IN THE ALEUTIANS. THERE THE JAPANESE ABANDONED THE ENTIRE ISLAND AHEAD OF INVASION TROOPS.

TROOPS OF THE 24TH CORPS AND OF THE THIRD MARINE AMPHIBIOUS CORPS DROVE IN RAPIDLY AGAINST SCANT INITIAL OPPOSITION.

THE RISING SUN SYMBOL OF THE JAPANESE EMPIRE SEEMED TO SHINE THIS EASTER SUNDAY ONLY FOR INVADING AMERICANS WHO ROLLED SEVERAL HUNDRED YARDS ACROSS THE EMPIRE'S "SACRED" SOIL.
A TERRIFIC COVERING NAVAL BOMBARDMENT GREETED
THE ROSY EASTER

DAWN AS A CLIMAX OF DAYS OF FURIOUS ATTACK. IT TORE HOLES IN TARGET AREAS OF THE SEA WALL, PERMITTING ENTRY OF TANKS AND OTHER ARMORED VEHICLES.

LANDINGS WERE PRECEDED ALSO BY A CONCERTED STRIKE OF A GREAT

FORCE OF CARRIER-BASED AIRCRAFT. THIS UNIT OF THE CONVOY, LIKE THE OTHERS, WAS UNMOLESTED THROUGH HUNDREDS OF MILES OF OPEN SEA. IT WAS PREPARED FOR A CONCERTED ENEMY CARRIER ASSAULT WHICH SO FAR HAS FAILED TO MATERIALIZE.

FLEET AND GROUND FORCES NEVERTHELESS ARE ALERT AGAINST THE POSSIBILITY OF THE ENEMY ATTEMPTING A DECEPTIVE ALL FOOLISP DAY 1945 TRICK.

ON THE BEACHES THIS AFTERNOON LATER WAVES OF TROOPS WERE DIGGING IN FOR THE NIGHT WHILE LANDING CRAFT CONTINUED TO POUR STILL MORE MEN AND SUPPLIES ONTO THE CORAL APPROACHES.

AMERICAN PLANES SPORTED IN THE AIR OVER THE FRONT LINES INLAND, DROPPING BOMBS AND STRAFING TARGETS, SETTING OFF SEVERAL LARGE EXPLOSIONS WHICH PRODUCED HUGE COLUMNS OF SMOKE.

ON ONE BEACH THE MEN EXPRESSED AMAZEMENT AT THE EASE OF THE LAND-ING. BUT THEY EXPECTED QUICK AIR ATTACKS. THE AMERICANS WERE CAMPED IN A SMALL FARM AREA AMID WHEAT, RADISHES, CABBAGES AND BEANS. A LAMB BLEATED NEARBY.

THE AMPHIBIOUS FORCE FLAGSHIP WE RODE SKIRTED A TROPICAL TYPHOON SAFELY AND FOR THE MOST PART SAILED UNDER BRIGHT MOONLIGHT,

INVITING ENEMY ATTACK.

ARRIVING AT THE TARGET BEFORE DAWN, GENERAL QUARTERS SOUNDED AND ALL EYES SCANNED THE SKIES AND SEA. THE MOON SHONE WEAKLY THROUGH AN OVERCAST. IN THE DISTANCE AHEAD COULD BE SEEN OCCAS-IONAL FLASHES OF THE WARSHIP BOMBARDMENT.

AZ SUNRISE THE HORIZON EXPLODED WITH THE THUNDER AND FLASH OF ANTIAIRCRAFT FIRE, AND A SINGLE JAPANESE PLANE BURST INTO A ROSETTE

OF ORANGE FLAME.

THE CONTINUING ROAR OF AMERICAN GUNS DREW ONLY AN OCCASIONAL REPLY FROM A SHORE BATTERY. THE ENEMY SEEMED TO BE PLACING HIS MAIN RELIANCE ON MORTARFIRE, WHICH HIT TWO OR THREE BEACHHEADS. SF1031APW NM

GEIGER (200) GUAM, APRIL 1-(AP)-AN AIR-MINDED MARINE WHOSE FLYING SERVICE WITH THE CORPS DATES BACK TO THE WORLD WAR WAS CHOSEN TO DIRECT THE THIRD MARINE AMPHIBIOUS CORPS IN THE INVASION OF OKINAWA. TERMED BY FLEET ADM. CHESTER W. NIMITZ AS THE GREATEST AMPHIBIOUS OPERATION IN THE PACIFIC.

HE IS MAJ.GEN.ROY S.GEIGER, WHO LED THE ALLIED AIR COMMAND IN THE TOUCH-AND-GO SOLOMON ISLANDS CAMPAIGN, AND WHO ORGANIZED THE FIRST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING WHEN HENDERSON FIELD FELL TO THE AMERICAN THRUST AGAINST GUADALCANAL. SHORTLY AFTER HIS SUCCESS, HE WAS AWARDED A GOLD STAR IN LIEU OF A SECOND NAVY CROSS--THE FIRST WAS WON IN THE WORLD WAR FOR LEADING BOMBING ATTACKS --AND WAS NAMED DIRECTOR OF MARINE AVIATION AT WASHINGTON.

IN 1930 HE PERSONALLY PILOTED A PLANE BEARING RELIEF SUPPLIES TO

HURRICANE-BELEAGURED RESIDENTS OF THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC,

AND A YEAR LATER MADE A MERCY FLIGHT TO NICARAGUA. A NATIVE OF MIDDLEBURG, FLA., WHERE HE WAS BORN JAN. 25, 1885, HIS TOUR OF DUTY WITH THE MARINE CORPS HAS TAKEN HIM TO POSTS IN CUBA, HAITI, NICARAGUA, PANAMA, CHINA AND THE PHILIPPINES, AND COMMAND OF AIRCRAFT SQUADRONS AT HAITI AND QUANTICO, VA. GEIGER IS A GRADUATE OF THE U.S. COMMAND AND GENERAL STAFF

SCHOOL, IME ARMY WAR CULLEGE, AND THE ADVANCED COORSE OF

THE NAVAL WAR COLLEGE. HIS WIFE RESIDES AT (1500 44TH ST. N.W.) WASHINGTON, D.C. UM547APW

BY JAMES LINDSLEY

SOMEWHERE IN THE WESTERN PACIFIC-(DELAYED)-(AP)-THE GIANT

AMERICAN FIFTH FLEET, IN ITS NEWEST ASSAULT ON THE JAPANESE EMPIRE, IS BEING SUPPLIED BY HISTORY'S LARGEST MOBILE NAVAL BASE --ONE WHICH IS GROWING ALL THE TIME

IT IS SERVICE SQUADRON 10. PACIFIC FLEET SERVICE FORCE, WHOSE EXISTENCE WAS A CAREFULLY GUARDED SECRET UNTIL RECENTLY. IT IS SO IMPORTANT THAT ADM. CHESTER W. NIMITZ ONCE CALLED IT A SECRET WEAPON. IT IS HEADED BY COMMODORE W. B. CARTER, A WIRY SEADOG OF 60 WHO WAS BORN ON A SAILING SHIP AND WHO HAS DEVOTED HIS LIFE TO THE NAVY.

AT A PRESS CONFERENCE CARTER SAID THE MOBILE SUPPLY FORCE SERVED TO WARN THE JAPANESE OUT OF THE BELIEF THAT A BIG NAVY NEEDED FIXED BASES.

THE COMMODORE SAID "EARLY IN THE WAR WE REALIZED THAT THE JAPS WERE NOT GOING TO FIGHT AT ANY ONE POINT. WE KNEW WE COULD NOT OPERATE WELL FROM FIXED BASES. IT WOULD HAVE MEANT BUILDING ONE BIG LAND BASE AFTER ANOTHER AND THEN ABANDONING THEM AS WE

ADVANCED CLOSER TO JAPAN. ALSO THERE ARE TOO FEW PACIFIC HARBORS. THERE WAS ONLY ONE ANSWER--TO PUT SERVICES AFLOAT. THE RESULT IS THE NAVY NOW CAN GO ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD. TAKING ITS SUPPLY BASE ALONG WITH IT. WE ARE IN A POSITION TO SEEK OUT THE JAPANESE NAVY WHEREVER IT HIDES. OUR WARSHIPS NOW CAN OPERATE INCREASINGLY CLOSER TO THE JAP MAINLAND. STRIKE AFTER STRIKE CAN BE MADE."

CARTER DECLARED THE MOBILE BASE IS EQUIPPED TO DO ANYTHING A NAVY YARD CAN DO. IT INCLUDES FLOATING DRYDOCKS, FLOATING HOTELS, BAKERIES, DRUG AND SUPPLY HOUSES -- IN SHORT IT IS A FLOATING CITY OF SEVERAL THOUSAND INHABITANTS.

AN IMPORTANT UNIT OF THE FORCE IS THE "CROCKERY FLEET" --CONCRETE BARGES ON WHICH SUPPLIES OF ALL KINDS ARE TRANSFERRED FROM TRANSPORTS.

SF1020APW

DI VERN HAUGLAND

ABOARD THE U.S. AMPHIBIOUS FLAGSHIP OFF OKINAWA, APRIL 1-(AP)-IN THE ROAR OF TODAY'S MIGHT ASSAULT UPON JAPAN'S SIDE DOORSTEP THERE WAS NOTHING TO REMIND AMERICAN FIGHTING MEN EITHER THAT IT WAS EASTER SUNDAY OR ALL FOOLS DAY.

THIS SHIP'S NAVY CHAPLAIN, CURTIS JUNKER, CONCLUDED A WEEK OF DAILY SERVICES WITH EASTER EVERITES SATURDAY NIGHT IN PREPAR-

ATION FOR THE DAWN ATTACKS.

CHAPLAIN JUNKER SAID "THE OPERATION WAS PLANNED FAR IN ADVANCE WITH THE PLANNERS PROBABLY UNAWARE THAT THE FINAL DATE CHOSEN HAPP-ENED TO BE EASTER SUNDAY. IT IS A SAD CIRCUMSTANCE BUT IS AN JNAVOIDABLE PART OF WAR.

JUNKER, A NATIVE OF EMERY, S.D., FORMERLY OF MADISON AND WATERTOWN, ALSO IN SOUTH DAKOTA, AND WHO SERVED AT ST. THOMAS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN NEW YORK, DEVOTED HIS SERVICELESS EASTER SUNDAY TO ATTENDING TO INDIVIDUAL NEEDS.

HEADING THE ARMY AND MARINE CHAPLAINS GOING ASHORE WITH THE TROOPS WAS THE 10TH ARMY SENIOR CHAPLAIN, COL. ROY HILLYER, 50, FORMER HIAWATHA, KAS., BAPTIST MINISTER. HIS WIFE AND FIVE CHILDREN RESIDE IN CARMEL, CALIF.

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OKINAWA

BY VERN HAUGLAND ABOARD AMPHIBIOUS FORCE FLATSHIP OFF OKINAWA, APRIL 1-(AP)TO CHINA'S MILLIONS WHO READ OF THE NEWEST OFFENSIVE DRIVE IN THE PACIFIC, THE AMERICAN LANDING TODAY WAS ON TA (CORRECT) LIUCHIU, NOT OKINAWA.

NORMAN SOONG, HONOLULU-BORN CORRESPONDENT FOR THE CENTRAL NEWS AGENCY OF CHINA, SAID HE WAS AVODING THE USE OF THE WORDS OKINAWA OR RYUKYU, JAPANESE NAMES FOR THE ISLAND CHINA, IN ALL HIS DIS-

"RYUKYU IS JUST A JAPANESE CORRUPTION OF LIUCHIU OR LOOCHOO, WHICH THEY ARE UNABLE TO PRONOUNCE, " SAID SOONG, WHOSE WIVE LIVES

IN CLAREMONT, CALIF.

"WE MIGHT AS WELL CHANGE CERTAIN AMERICAN SPELLINGS TO HONORURU OR ROS ANGERES OR WARRAWARRAWASHINGTON, AS LIUCHIU TO RYUKYU.
"TA LIUCHIU MEANS BIG LIUCHIU, THE CHINESE NAME FOR OKINAWA,

SOONG SAID. QD440PPW

BY MORRIE LANDSBERG

U.S. PACIFIC FLEET HEADQUARTERS, GUAM, APRIL 1-(AP)-THE NEXT TWO OR THREE WEEKS ON AMERICAN-INVADED OKINAWA ISLAND MAY SHOW WHAT CAN BE EXPECTED FROM JAPANESE CIVILIANS IF AND WHEN AMERICAN TROOPS LANIJAPANESE CIVILIANS BATTLING FOR THEIR HOMELAND. THE PROBLEM CANNOT BE

IN THE NIPPON HOMELAND. THE SMALL DARK OKINAWAS MAY ATTEMPT TO RESIST OR MAY REMAIN PASSIVE EITHER OUT OF FEAR, GOOD SENSE OR AN EXPRESSION OF PENTUP IRRITATION AT THEIR JAPANESE OVERLORDS WHO LOOK DOWN UPON THEM AS

COLONIAL INFERIORS AND SOMETIMES REFER TO THEM AS "PORK EATERS. WHATEVER THEY DO AMERICAN MILITARY AND CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICERS HAVE A HUGE PROBLEM, FOR THE CKINAWA POPULATION EXCEEDS 400,000. THIS IS BY FAR THE LARGEST NUMBER OF NATIVE CIVILIANS ENCOUNTERED IN THE PACIFIC PRESS)

WAR, NOT COUNTING FRIENDLY FILIPINOS.

THE EASY-GOING MARSHALLESE WELCOMED THE AMERICANS WHO UPROOTED THE JAPANESE FROM SOME ATOLLS THEY HAD HELD FOR 30 YEARS. THAT FRIENDSHIP GOES BACK TO RELATIONSHIP WITH NEW ENGLAND MISSIONARIES. EIGHTY PER CENT OF THE 10,000 NATIVES WERE CHRISTIANS WHEREAS IN 1940 ONLY 2,000 OF 575,000 PEOPLE IN OKINAWA PREFECTURE WERE LISTED AS CONVERTS FROM THE ANIMISTIC RELIGION OF THE RYUKYUS. IN THE SAIPAN CAMPAIGN A NUMBER OF JAPANESE CIVILIANS FOUGHT WITH THE TROOPS BUT ALL I EVER SAW WERE EMACIATED MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN COMING OUT OF HIDING IN DEEP DANK CAVES OR OTHERS MARCHING DOWN DUSTY ROADS TO SURRENDER. THE CIVILIANS THERE, MOSTLY OKINAWAS, SELDOM SHOWED THE SLIGHTEST RACE EMOTION.

THESE COLONISTS, WHO WENT TO SAIPAN SEEKING MORE THAN A BARE
TWO ACRES OF SOIL TO WORK, GAVE CIVIL AFFAIRS LITTLE TROUBLE. THEY
APPEARED TO BE SIMPLE AND POLITE AND CERTAINLY, NOT AGGRESSIVE. TODAY MOST

OF THEM ARE STILL LIVING IN CAMP SUSUPE BUT THEY ARE NOT RESENTFUL.

THE OKINAWAS LOOK LIKE JAPANESE. THEY ARE SLIGHTLY SHORTER, STOCKIER AND DARKER. OFTEN THEY HAVE COARSER FEATURES, HIGHER FOREHEADS
AND MORE PROMINENT NOSES LESS THE OBVIOUS CHEEKBONES. THEY ARE MORE HAIRY THAN THE JAPANESE.

HOW THE RYUKYUS POPULATION REGARDS THE JAPANESE WAS SHOWN BY THE GENERAL OPPOSITION TO INTERMARRIAGE. THE LATTER, OF COURSE, CON-SIDERED MARRIAGE WITH AN OKINAWAN BENEATH THEM. ON THE WHOLE THE OKINAWAS, ALTHOUGH BLOOD-BROTHERS OF THE JAPANESE, REGARD THEMSELVES AS MORE AKIN TO THE CHINESE.

THE STANDING OF LIVING IN THE RYUKYUS HAS BEEN DESCRIBED AS ABYSMALLY LOW. UNDER NOURISHMENT IS WIDESPREAD. HEALTH CONDITIONS ARE POOR. POPULATION DENSITY, PLUS LIVING CONDITIONS, LED TO CONSIDERABLE MIGRATION. STILL SOUTHERN OKINAWA HAS A POPULATION DENSITY OF 2,700 INHABITANTS PER SQUARE MILE AS COMPARED WITH THAT OF RHODE ISLAND, THE MOST DENSELY POPULATED STATE OF THE UNION -- 547.

ISLAND, THE MOST DENSELY POPULATED STATE OF THE UNION--647.

THE RYUKYUS POPULATION TOTALED 840,000 IN 1940. THREE OUT OF EVERY FOUR FAMILIES ON OKINAWA ARE DEPENDENT ON THE SOIL FOR A THIN LIVELIHOOD. ABOUT 22 PER CENT OF THE CULTIV-ATED LAND IS DEVOTED TO GROWING CANE, THE CHIEF MONEY CROP. THE MAIN PODS SWEET POTATOE

ATED LAND IS DEVOTED TO GROWING CANE, THE CHIEF MONEY CROP. THE MAIN FOOD CROP IS SWEET POTATOES WHICH ARE GROWN ON 42 PERCENT OF THE

OKINAWA PREFECTURE ACREAGE. MOW IMPORTANT THE JAPANESE TENDENCY TO REGARD THE OKINAWAS AS INFERIOR WILL PROVE IN LOYALTY TO THE HOME COUNTRY REMAINS TO BE TESTED. IF THE OKINAWAS IN LARGER NUMBERS PUT UP A FIGHT NOW--AND

THAT SEEMS UNLIKELY AT LEAST TO THIS OBSERVER -- THE CONSEQUENT BLOOD-SHED CAN ONLY BE A PREVIEW OF UNDOUBTEDLY FIERCER RESISTANCE BY DISCOUNTED. HOWEVER, THE MERE PRESENCE OF 400,000 PEOPLE WHO HAVE NEVER HAD ENOUGH TO EAT ANYWAY IS GOING TO BE A HEADACHE TOJPNYNB JRLZGAT HAPPEN AFTER POSSIBLE D-DAY ON HONSHU OR SOME OTHER MAIN ISLAND OF

JAPAN.

BY LEIF ERICKSON.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS CORRESPONDENT REPRESENTING THE COMBINED AMERICAN

IN A U.S. NAVY LIBERATOR OVER OKINAWA, APRIL 1-(AP)AMERICAN TROOPS ASSAULTING EIGHT MILES OF OKINAWA'S WESTERN SHORE THIS EASTER MORNING WALKED STANDING UP MORE THAN 200 YARDS INLAND WITHIN HALF AN HOUR AFTER AMPHIBIOUS ALLIGATORS LANDED THE FIRST WAVE ON THE BEACH.

THEY KEPT GOING. VETERAN ARMY AND MARINE FIGHTERS OF THE U.S. 10TH ARMY WEREN'T SHOOTING THEIR RIFLES AT ANY JAPANESE. THEY WEREN'T BEING SHOT

AT BY SMALL ARMS FIRE, EITHER. IT APPEARED EITHER THAT THE JAPANESE HAD BEEN SURPRISED AND FOOLED, OR THAT THEY HAD GIVEN UP TRYING TO DEFEND THE WESTERN BEACHES FROM OPEN GREEN FARM FIELDS.

IN TWO HOURS FLYING LOW OVER THE EIGHT-MILE ATTACK FRONT WE

DIDN'T SEE ANY JAPANESE.

IT SEEMED HIGHLY LIKELY THAT THE NIPPONESE HAD DECIDED THE TERRAIN WAS TOO DIFFICULT TO DEFEND AGAINST THE STRONGEST AMERICAN AMPHIBIOUS FORCE EVER EMPLOYED IN A SINGLE BEACH ATTACK, AND THAT THEY WITHDREW INLAND TO RIDGE AND HILL LINES.

CMDR. A. DONALD FRASER, VENTURA, CALIF., FLEW THIS NAVY PHOTOGRAPHIC PLANE AT 500 FEET OVER THE FULL EIGHT-MILE LENGTH

OF THE INVASION BEACHES.

BACK OF THE NARROW BEACHES, FRONTED IN CONSIDERABLE STRETCHES BY A LOW SEAWALL, THERE WERE EASY SLOPING AND COMPLETELY OPEN GREEN FIELDS. ALONG THE BEACH WERE JAPANESE TRENCH LINES. BUT THE

TRENCHES WERE EMPTY. THE WIDE STRETCHES OF OKINAWA FIELDS SEEMED STRANGE FOR SUCH A DENSELY POPULATED ISLAND. IT IS PROBABLE THAT THE OKINAWANS CONGRE-GATE IN VILLAGES AND FARM THEIR SMALL TRACTS, AVERAGING LESS THAN TWO ACRES, WITHOUT WASTING PRECIOUS GROUND.

THIS WAS THE MOST FAVORABLE POINT FOR AN AMPHIBIOUS ATTACK AMERICAN PACIFIC COMMANDERS SO FAR HAD HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO CHOSE.

WE COULDN'T SEE JAPANESE TROOPS FROM OUR PLANE, BUT WE DID SEE MORTAR OR SMALL ARTILLERY SHELLS BURSTING IN THE WATER AS LCI ROCKET BOATS CLOSED IN DARINGLY ON THE BEACH AHEAD OF THE FIRST WAVE OF ALLIGATORS.

WE SAW BLACK ACKACK PUFFS IN THE SKY, TOO, WHEN CARRIER-BORNE FIGHTERS AND BOMBERS FLEW IN ON STRAFING AND POCKET STRIKES.

BUT IN TWO HOURS OF FLYING BACK AND FORTH OVER THE BEACHHEAD I SAW ONLY ONE AMERICAN AMPHIBIOUS VEHICLE HIT. THAT WAS AN AMPHIBIOUS TANK WHICH GAVE OFF A PUFF OF BLACK SMOKE WHILE MOVING ALONG THE SEAWALL TO FOLLOW OTHER TANKS THROUGH A BREACH.

AIRFIELDS WERE WITHIN TWO MILES OF THE COAST. THE ATTACK

LANDING WAVES STRUCK IMMEDIATELY FOR THEM.

(AM AMERICAN COMMUNIQUE SAID THE YONTAN AND KADENA AIRPORTS WERE

CAPTURED, WITH LIGHT LOSSES TO THE INVADERS.)

OKINAWA HAS FIVE AIRFIELDS. THE LARGEST IS YONTAN FIELD. THIS LOOKED AS THOUGH IT QUICKLY COULD BE RESTORED TO OPERATION FOR AMERICAN PLANES.

THE EIGHT-MILE ATTACK FRONT WAS NOT SOLID. THE BEACH WAS BROKEN UP BY TROUBLESOME CORAL SHOALS, REQUIRING SOME OF THE FIRST WAVE

ALLIGATORS TO MAKE DETOURS.

ON THE SHORE THE BEACH IS BROKEN UP BY SMALL ROCK KNOLLS WITH CAVES. THE JAPANESE ARE EXPERTS AT EMPLOYING SUCH POSITIONS AS DEFENSE STRONGHOLDS. BUT ON OKINAWA THE ROCK KNOLLS ARE VULNERABLE TO CUTTING-OFF MANEUVERS THROUGH GREEN FIELDS BEHIND THEM.

ABOUT THE BEST DEFENSE OPPORTUNITY FOR THE JAPANESE APPEARED TO BE THE LARGE, ORNATE OKINAWA TOMBS. ARMY OFFICERS EXPECTED THE JAPANESE

TO CONVERT

TOMBS INTO PILLBOXES. THE TOMBS ARE OF WHITEWASHED

STOME AND CONCRETE. BUT I SAW AMERICAN SOLDIERS MOVE THROUGH A CLUSTER OF TOMBS NEAR THE BEACH APPARENTLY WITHOUT ENCOUNTERING ANY JAPANESE.

OME AMERICAN LST (TANK LANDING SHIP) WAS BURNING TOPSIDE AND AMIDSHIP, APPARENTLY FROM A JAPANESE SHELL HIT. THAT WAS THE ONLY AMERICAN SHIP DAMAGE WE OBSERVED.

FROM THE AIR, THE ORGANIZATION AND MARSHALLING OF THE ATTACK WAVES OF LANDING CRAFT STRIKING THE EIGHT MILES OF COAST LINE WAS SINGULARLY IMPRESSIVE.

THE PERFORMANCE WASN'T PERFECT BECAUSE THERE WERE CORAL REEFS AND

CURVES IN THE SHORELINE.

ARMY ALLIGATORS HIT THE BEACH FIRST ON ONE END OF THE ATTACK SECTOR MINUTES AHEAD OF VETERAN MARINES ON THE OTHER END. WITHIN MINUTES OF HITTING THE BEACH THE ATTACK LINES WERE CROSSING

LOW-TERRACED FIELDS. AMPHIBIOUS TANKS FANNED OUT WITH THEM. STRUNG OUT IN LONG COLUMNS ON THE WATER BEHIND THE ASSAULT ALLIGATOR WAVES WERE HEAVIER LANDING CRAFT CARRYING AMMUNITION AND

SUPPLIES TO THE BEACH. FROM THE AIR IT WAS A PICTURE OF PRECISE PERFORMANCE ON A HIGHLY COMPLICATED TIMING SCHEDULE, EVEN IF THE JAP-ANESE DIDN'T OFFER MATERIAL OPPOSITION.

THE WELL-PRACTICED PACIFIC FLEET BOMBARDMENT AND AIR ASSAULT IN THE PRE-LANDING PREPARATION AGAIN ROARED AND FLAMED IN SPECTACULAR CRESCENDO JUST BEFORE THE FIRST WAVE HIT THE BEACH.

MORE CARRIER PLANES MUST HAVE BEEN EMPLOYED IN STRAFING AND ROCKET STRIKES AT THE LANDING HOUR THAN IN ANY PREVIOUS PACIFIC AMPHIBIOUS ATTACK. THE SKY OVER OKINAWA WAS CROWDED WITH PLANES IN GROUPS WAITING THEIR TURN TO STRIKE.

BLASTS FROM THE BATTLESHIPS' BIG GUNS BOUNCED OUR FOUR-ENGINE BOMBER IN THE AIR SEVERAL TIMES AS WE FLEW OVER THE BOMBARDMENT LINE. SMALL ROCKET SHIPS CLOSED IN ON THE BEACH AHEAD OF THE ALLICATORS, SPOTTING THE LANDSCAPE WITH A MYRIAD OF SMOKE-PUFFS.

THE WEATHER WAS IDEALLY CLEAR AND THE WATER CALM FOR A LANDING ASSAULT. BUT AT TIMES SMOKE FROM SHELLS AND BOMBS BLOWN BY AN EASTERLY WIND SO FILLED THE AIR THAT BOTH LAND AND SHIPS WERE OBSCURED FROM VIEW.

COMMANDER FRASER AND HIS NAVIGATORS AND COPILOTS, LT (JG) JOSEPH R. ROBERTS. UNION CITY, TENN., AND ENS. LARRY E. DUNLAP

(NO HOMETOWN GIVEN) FLEW MORE THAN 4,000 MILES TO GET PRESS AND RADIO STORIES AND AIR PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE OKINAWA INVASION.

WEBLEY EDWARDS OF CBS COVERED THE FLIGHT FOR THE RADIO CHANNELS. NAVY PICTURES WERE MADE BY LT. BRAD ANSLEY, ATLANTA, GA., AND PHOTOGRAPHER'S MATES LUCIEN J.RANKIN, BARDWELL, KY., AND JOHN F. RANKIN (CORRECT) HOUSTON, TEX.

OUR ROUTE WAS 1,500 MILES FROM GUAM TO LUZON IN THE PHILIPPINES. THEN FROM LUZON OVER OKINAWA TO IWO JIMA IN THE VOLCANOS, AND THENCE BACK TO GUAM.

IN THE LAST LOW FLIGHT ALONG THE INVASION BEACH JAPANESE ANTIAIRCRAFT GUNS SENT UP STRINGS OF TRACERS AT OUR LIBERATOR. HUNDREDS OF CARRIER FIGHTERS AND BOMBERS HAD BEEN GIVING THE ENEMY THE WORKS AND HAD NOT BEEN SHOT AT. "BLAST "EM," FRASER SAID, "WE'RE NOT SHOOTING ANYTHING! AT THEM."

MMALLPPW

SAN FRANCISCO, APRIL 1-(AP)-TOKYO RADIO STRUCK A LYRICAL NOTE DAY AMID ITS ACCOUNTS OF AMERICAN LANDINGS ONLY 325 MILES SOUTH OF AN PROPER, TELLING ITS LISTENERS IN A DOMESTIC BROADCAST OF MILES IN WIDTH. NAHA, A GOOD HARBOR AND THE LARGEST CITY IN THE OVER THE HOMELAND."

THEN THE ANNOUNCER SWITCHED ABRUPTLY TO THE SUBJECT OF HIGHER TAXES TO INTO EFFECT TODAY.

TO SAM FRANCISCO, APRIL 1-(AP)-TOKYO RADIO STRUCK A LYRICAL NOTE LANDING STRUCK A LYRICAL NOTE LANDING SOUTH OF THE S20,000 POPULATION OF THE RYUKYUS ABOUT OF THE RYWYUS ABOUT OF THE SUBJECT OF MILES IN OKINAWA, WHICH IS ABOUT 65 MILES LONG AND AVERAGES ABOUT OF MILES IN WIDTH. NAHA, A GOOD HARBOR AND THE LARGEST CITY IN THE CHAIN, IS ON THE SOUTHWESTERN COAST.

GIVEN A HOLD IN THE RYUKYUS, UNITED STATES AMPHIBIOUS FORCES COULD LEAPFROG UP THE ISLAND CHAIN TOWARD JAPAN SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH SIMILAR MOVES TOWARD TOKYO THROUGH THE VOLCANOS AND PONTAGE FROM PASSES IN THE MARIANTAN AND PONTAGE PASSES IN THE MARIANTAN PASSES IN THE MARIANTAN AND PONTAGE PASSES IN THE MARIANTAN PASSE TODAY AMID ITS ACCOUNTS OF AMERICAN LANDINGS ONLY 325 MILES SOUTH OF JAPAN PROPER. TELLING ITS LISTENERS IN A DOMESTIC BROADCAST THAT "SOON WE WILL BE ABLE TO GIVE YOU NEWS ABOUT CHERRY BLOSSOMS FROM ALL OVER THE HOMELAND."

WHICH GO INTO EFFECT TODAY. THE BROADCAST WAS RECORDED BY THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS

COMMISSION. MM 929PPW NM

WITH OKINAWA SAN FRANCISCO, APRIL 1-(AP)-TOKYO RADIO CLAIMED THAT JAPANESE DEFENDERS OF OKINAWA EITHER KILLED OR WOUNDED 2, 100 ENEMY MEN". THE BROADCAST WAS RECORDED BY THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION. ALL AMERICAN REPORTS SAID LOSSES IN THEFIRST DAY OF THE INVASION WERE SURPRISINGLY LIGHT. MM928PPW

WITH OKINAWA SAM FRANCISCO, APRIL 1-(AP)-IT'S SIMPLE TO STOP AMERICAN CONQUEST OF THE WESTERN PACIFIC--JUST STRIKE DOWN THE ENEMY ON HIS LANDING OPERATIONS, AN OUTSTANDING JAPANESE COMMENTATOR SAID TONIGHT, HOURS AFTER THE NEW U.S. 10TH ARMY WAS FIRMLY ESTABLISHED ON ITS OKINAWA BEACHHEADS. TIMENING U.S. AMPHIBIOUS OPERATIONS TO AN ATHLETE'S HOP, SKIP AND JUMP, MAJ.GEN. MASANORI ITO DECLARED IN AN ENGLISH-LANGUAGE

BROADCAST:

"THE BEST HOP, SKIP AND JUMP STEPS CAN BE FOILED IF THE ENEMY IS STRUCK DOWN IN THE COURSE OF A THIRD AND FINAL PHASE, THE JUMP, OR IN THIS INSTANCE. THE LANDING PHASE OF HIS OPERATIONS." OR IN THIS INSTANCE, THE LANDING PHASE OF HIS OPERATIONS."
IT DID NOT STATE JUST HOW THE STRIKING DOWN WAS TO BE ACCOM-

THE BROADCAST WAS RECORDED BY THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION.

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UNDATED OKINAWA (300) BY RALPH H. HEPPE ASSOCIATED PRESS WAR EDITOR

IN STRIKING AT OKINAWA, IN THE RYUKYU CHAIN ABOUT MIDWAY
BETWEEN FORMOSA AND JAPAN'S MAIN HOME ISLANDS, AMERICAN INVASION
FORCES SEEK TO CONQUER A STRATEGIC HUB THAT COMMANDS THE EASTERN ENTRANCE TO THE EAST CHINA SEA -- NOW A JAPANESE LAKE -- AND CAN SERVE AS A BASE TO HELP IMMOBILIZE FORMOSA.

OKINAWA IS A LONG, NARROW ISLAND WITH AIRFIELDS AND SEVERAL GOOD HARBORS SUITABLE FOR WARSHIP ANCHORAGES. JAPAN USED IT AS A MIDWAY POINT IN FERRYING PLANES FROM THE HOMELAND TO FORMOSA AND THE PHILIPPINES. ITS STRATEGIC IMPORTANCE IS SHOWN BY ITS

LOCATION.

IT IS ABOUT 325 AIRLINE MILES SOUTHWEST OF KYUSHU, JAPAN'S SOUTHERN HOMELAND ISLAND; 365 MILES NORTHEAST OF FORMOSA, THE PIVOTAL BASE GUARDING JAPAN'S SOUTHERN FLANK AND THE EMPIRE LIFELINE TO THE INDIES: 625 MILES NORTHEAST OF LUZON, IN THE PHILIPPINES, AND ONLY 400 MILES EAST OF THE CHINA COAST.

INVASION OF OKINAWA PROBABLY INDICATES AN INTENTION TO BYPASS

THE FORMIDABLE FORMOSA IN FUTURE MOVES THAT MAY SMASH THROUGH TO CHINA. AIRFIELDS ON OKINAWA WOULD PLACE YANK WARPLANES, INCLUDING FIGHTERS, WITHIN EASY STRIKING DISTANCE OF FORMOSA, CHINA AND JAPAN AND ON THE EASTERN FLANK OF THE ENEMY'S SHIPPING LIFELINE. THOSE PLANES COULD AID AMERICAN CARRIER AIRCRAFT COVERING AN INVASION OF CHINA OR NIPPON PROPER.

MORE THAN HALF OF THE 820,000 POPULATION OF THE RYUKYUS

AND BONINS FROM BASES IN THE MARIANAS. SUCH FORCES BASED ON OKINAWA WOULD POSE A THREAT TO THE CHINA COAST BELOW SHANGHAI JUST AS GEN. DOUGLAS MACARTHUR'S TROOPS ON LUZON DO TO THE HONG KONG COASTAL

OKINAWA MAY PROVE AS TOUGH AS IWO, TO DATE THE BLOODIEST ISLAND INVASION OF THE PACIFIC WAR. BUT THERE ARE FAVORABLE FACTORS -- THE TERRAIN IS NOT AS RUGGED, THE ISLAND IS FAR LARGER THAN IWO, PERMITTING MANEUVER, AND THERE ARE SEVERAL GOOD HARBORS.

THE DRY SEASON IS JUST ENDING ON OKINAWA. TYPHOONS SWEEP THE AREA FROM APRIL TO DECEMBER.
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UNDATED JAPANESE

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS THE JAPANESE DOMEI AGENCY SAID TODAY THAT JAPANESE FORCES DRIVING INTO SOUTHWESTERN HONAN FROM THE PEIPING-MANKOW RAILWAY HAD "COMPLETELY OCCUPIED" THE STRATEGIC CITY OF NANYANG ON TUESDAY.

MARCH 27 (JAPANESE TIME). THE DOMEI DISPATCH, RECORDED BY THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION, SAID THAT THE FALL OF THE CITY HAD COME AFTER JAPANESE COLUMNS FROM THE EAST AND THE NORTH HAD JOINED TO STORM IT AT

CA DISPATCH FROM CHUNGKING LAST NIGHT SAID THE CHINESE HIGH COMMAND CLAIMED NANYANG WAS STILL IN CHINESE HANDS, DESPITE DAWN TUESDAY. AERIAL ATTACKS UPON THE CITY BY THE U.S. 14TH AIR FORCE.)

MARSAEM UNDATED EASTER

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS (NY) HOPES OF AN EARLY RESTORATION OF PEACE WERE REFLECTED IN

YESTERDAY'S (SUNDAY) CELEBRATION OF EASTER THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.
MILLIONS OF AMERICANS WENT FROM PACKED CHURCHES TO THE GAIETY AND
COLOR OF TRADITIONAL EASTER PARADES, LARGEST SINCE PEARL HARBOR IN
MANY OF THE NATION'S CITIES.

ELSEWHERE IN THE WORLD GAY PARADES WERE OMITTED BUT IN PARIS LIGHTS BLAZED ON FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE THE START OF THE

WAR, IN CELEBRATION OF ALLIED VICTORIES. THE FLAME AT THE UNKNOWN SOLDIER'S TOMB WAS REKINDLED.

KEYNOTE OF THE OBSERVANCE BY HIGH-HEARTED BRITONS WAS SOUNDED BY THE ARCHIBISHOP OF CANTERBURY WHO DECLARED, "A GLOW OF VICTORY IS

SURGING THROUGH OUR VEINS." AMERICAN SOLDIERS IN JERUSALEM OBSERVED THE EASTER MORN WITH A SUN-RISE WORSHIP OF THEIR OWN, VISITED THE HOLY SEPULCHRE IN THE OLD CITY AND MADE PILGRIMAGE TO THE GARDEN OF GETHSEMANE.

AT VATICAN CITY THOUSANDS OF ALLIED TROOPS OUTNUMBERED ITALIAN CITIZENS AT TWO EASTER MASSES CELEBRATED SIMULTANEOUSLY IN THE GREAT

BASILICA OF ST. PETER. WASHINGTON'S ARLINGTON MEMORIAL AMPHITHEATER WAS THE SCENE OF A SUNRISE SERVICE AT WHICH 75,000 PERSONS HEARD ADMIRAL ERNEST J.KING PRAY FOR "THOSE WHO HAVE GIVEN THEIR LIVES THAT OUR COUNTRY,

DEDICATED TO FREEDOM, MAY STAND. THE CAPITAL'S 600 CHURCHES WERE PACKED WITH AN ESTIMATED 400,000 WORSHIPPERS AND AFTER SERVICES THE CITY'S CHERRY BLOSSOM FRINGE ATTRACTED THOUSANDS, ALTHOUGH THE BLOSSOMS ALREADY HAD PASSED THE PEAK.

WARTIME CASUALTY IN WASHINGTON WAS THE TRADITIONAL EASTER EGG ROLLING ON THE SOUTH LAWN AT THE WHITE HOUSE.

NEW YORK'S FAMED FIFTH AVENUE EASTER PARADE WAS THE LARGEST AND MOST JOYOUS IN FOUR YEARS OF WAR. IT STALLED OF ITS OWN IMMENSITY AS AN ESTIMATED 800,000 PERSONS JAMMED THE SIDEWALKS.

IDEAL EASTER WEATHER -- SUNSKINE AND WARMTH -- PREVAILED THROUGHOUT

MOST OF THE NATION.

MEN AND WOMEN OF THE ARMED FORCES DOMINATED MANY OF THE OBSERVANCES. A THOUSAND CONVALESCING WAR VETERANS WERE AMONG 12,000 PERSONS WHO ATTENDED THE 25TH ANNUAL SUNRISE SERVICES IN THE GARDEN OF THE GODS, NATURAL AMPHITHEATER IN COLORADO SPRINGS. MANY WALKED WITH CRUTCHES OR CANES AND SOME WERE IN ARMY HOSPITAL ROBES.

UNIFORMED MEN AND WOMEN PARTICIPATED IN THE PARADE ON BOSTON'S FAMED COMMONWEALTH AVENUE. THERE, TOO, WOUNDED VETERANS APPEARED LEANING ON CRUTCHES AND WEARING OVERSEAS MEDALS, COMBAT RIBBONS AND

PURPLE HEARTS.

AT DES MOINES, IOWA, APPROXIMATELY 1,600 WACS ATTENDED SERVICE AT 63RD INFANTRY: DROVE SOUTH AND SOUTHEAST OF HEIDELBERG TO MAKE NEW FORT DES MOINES WHERE A WAC CHOIR PRESENTED "MESSIAH" AT THE POST CHAP CONTACT WITH FRENCH FIRST ARMY. ONE OF THE FEW PLACES WHICH HAD UNFAVORABLE WEATHER WAS THE ST. LOUI! AREA. NINETY MILES TO THE SOUTHEAST, 2,000 PERSONS BRAVED A COLD, DRIVING RAIN TO ATTEND THE NINTH ANNUAL CUTDOOR SERVICES ATOP BALD KNO FULDA AND ENTERED HUTTEN, 12 MILES SOUTH OF FULDA IN 8-MILE GAIN. HIGHEST POINT IN SOUTHERN ILLINOIS.

AT CHICAGO 35,000 PERSONS ATTENDED SERVICES AT SOLDIER FIELD MIND 28,000 WERE AT SERVICE CENTER SERVICES, MOSTLY MOTHERS AND FATHERS OF SERVICE MEN.

MORE THAN 30,000 WORSHIPPERS GATHERED AT THE 25TM ANNUAL SUNRISE RITES IN HOLLYWOOD BOWL WHERE 50,000 LILLIES ADORNED THE AMPHITHEATER STAGE.

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BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS COL.GEN.ENVER HOXHA, PRIME MINISTER OF ALBANIA, HAS ASKED THE BIG THREE TO INVITE ALBANIA TO THE WORLD SECURITY CONFERENCE IN SAN FRANCISCO THIS MONTH, THE YUGOSLAV TELEGRAPH SERVICE (TANJUG) SAID SUNDAY IN A BROADCAST FROM BELGRADE.

THE ROAD TO BERLIN EASTERN FRONT--32 MILES (FROM ZELLIN)
WESTERN FRONT--162 MILES (FROM NESSELROEDEN AREA) ITALIAN FRONT -- 544 MILES (FROM RENO RIVER) RW758PEW

THE WESTERN FRONT LAST NIGHT (SUN.) (200) BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NORTHERN SECTOR: BRITISH ARMOR, ROLLED FORWARD UNDER NEWS BLACKOUT, REPORTED IN MUENSTER BY GERMANS: BRITISH AND CANADIAN CUT BACK INTO HOLLAND BELIEVED THREATENING REMAINING GERMANS WITH ENTRAPMENT.

CENTRAL SECTOR: U.S. FIRST AND NINTH ARMIES FORGED RUHR TRAP NEAR PADERBORN, CUTTING OFF RUHR. THIRD ARMY TANKS PLUNGED TO 162 MILES FROM BERLIN.

SOUTHERN SECTOR: U.S. SEVENTH ARMY SURGED WITHIN 45 MILES OF NUERN-BERG, 124 MILES OF MUNICH, 315 MILES FROM RUSSIAN FRONT.

THE ARMIES IN THE WEST:

CANADIAN FIRST ARMY: ADVANCED AS MUCH AS 10 MILES EAST OF ARNHEM IN HOLLAND.

BRITISH SECOND ARMY: ROLLED EASTWARD THROUGH GERMANY UNDER SECURITY CENSORSHIP; BELIEVED AT LEAST 85 MILES BEYOND RHINE.
U.S.NINTH ARMY: SMASHED 75 MILES IN LESS THAN A WEEK, JOINED FIRST ARMY IN SNAPPING RUHR TRAP.
U.S. THIRD ARMY: TANKS DROVE WITHIN 162 MILES FROM BERLIN.

U.S. SEVENTH ARMY: 45 MILES FROM NUERNBERG, 124 FROM MUNICH. --DASH--

U.S.DIVISIONS SECOND ARMORED: MET FIRST ARMY UNITS AND CLOSED RUHR TRAP.
THIRD ARMORED: CLOSED RUHR TRAP WITH SECOND. FOURTH ARMORED: LANCED TO 162 MILES FROM BERLIN.
SIXTH ARMORED: CROSSED FULDA RIVER, 18 MILES SOUTH OF KASSEL.
EIGHTH ARMORED: SUPPLEMENTED NINTH ARMY DRIVE.

10TH ARMORED: EFFECTED JUNCTION WITH FRENCH FIRST ARMY.
11TH ARMORED: SPEARHEADS GAINED 20 MILES IN GROSSENLUEDER AREA.

12TH ARMORED: STRUCK TO 45 MILES NORTHWEST OF NUERNBERG AT MAIN RIVER NEAR OCHESENFURT. THIRD INFANTRY: REACHED OUTSKIRTS OF REISTENHAUSEN, 25 MILES WEST

OF WUERZBURG. 45TH INFANTRY: FOUGHT IN ASCHAFFENBURG AND ADVANCED TO POINT SIX

MILES BEYOND RIVER MAIN. FOURTH INFANTRY: CONSOLIDATED 12TH ARMORED'S GAINS IN CENTER OF SEVENTH ARMY FRONT.

90TH INFANTRY: CONSOLIDATED 11TH ARMORED'S GAINS. 26TH INFANTRY: DROVE INTO LUDERMOND, FOUR MILES NORTHWEST OF

SOTH INFANTRY: CLOSED TO WITHIN 6 1/2 MILES OF KASSEL FROM SOUTHWEST

IN SIX-MILE ADVANCE. SK932PEW

PACIFIC TIMETABLE

WASHINGTON, APRIL 1-(AP)-THE TIMETABLE OF THE NAVY'S TEAM 55

ROLLER IN THE PACIFIC HAS SHIFTED FROM SLOW FREIGHT TO EXPRESS.

THE START OF THE RUYKYU ISLANDS INVASION, JUST SIX WEEKS AFTER

THE IWO JIMA ACTION BEGAN AND SCARCELY TWO WEEKS AFTER THAT ISLAND WAS DECLARED SECURE, EMPHATICALLY UNDERSCORES THE NAVY'S ALMOST COCKY BOAST THAT IT CAN OPERATE AT WILL IN WATERS, WHICH A FEW YEARS BACK WERE JAPAN'S PRIVATE LAKE. THE NAVY'S GOAL. NOW APPARED LY REACHING REALIZATION, WAS

RECENTLY DESCRIBED BY FLEET ADMIRAL CHESTER NIMITZ, PACIFIC FLEET COMMANDER, AS THE CONCENTRATION OF SUFFICIENT NAVAL POWER TO PERMIT THE SIMULTANEOUS CONDUCT OF MAJOR MULTIPLE OPERATIONS, WITH THE NET EFFECT OF "SPEEDING UP THE CONDUCT OF THE WAR."

THESE ONE-TWO PUNCHES IN NEW AREAS, WHILE HOLDING AND SUPPLY OPERATIONS ARE MAINTAINED OVER THOUSANDS OF MILES OF OCEAN REACHING TO THE PHILIPPINES, GRAPHICALLY DEMONSTRATE THE TREMENDOUS GROWTH OF THE NAVY'S STRIKING POWER SINCE THE EARLY DAYS OF WAR WHEN SUCH STRENGTH AS COULD BE MUSTERED HAD TO BE CAREFULLY HUSBANDED AND POINTED FROM STRIKE TO STRIKE, USUALLY MONTHS APART.

IT WAS AT THE BATTLE OF THE CORAL SEA, MAY 7 AND 8, 1942, THAT THE JAPANESE ADVANCE-AT-WILL TO THE SOUTH WAS CHECKED, AND THE WHOLLY DEFENSIVE PHASE OF THE WAR FOR THE UNITED STATES NAVY ENDED.

A MONTH LATER, JUNE 3-6, THE JAPANESE NAVY SUFFERED ITS FIRST DECISIVE DEFEAT IN 350 YEARS AT THE BATTLE OF MIDWAY, AND TWO MONTHS LATER, ON AUGUST 7, THE LONG HAUL PACK PEGAN WITH THE INVASION OF GUADALCANAL, IN THE SOLOMONS.

AFTER GUADALCANAL, WHICH WAS NOT OFFICIALLY DECLARED SECURE UNTIL THE FOLLOWING FEB. 8, IT WAS FOUR MONTHS UNTIL THE NEXT MAJOR ADVANCE TO NEW GEORGIA, WHERE AMERICAN FORCES LANDED JUNE 30, AND ANOTHER FOUR MONTHS UNTIL THE NEXT HOP NORTHWARD TO BOUGAINVILLE,

WHERE A LANDING WAS MADE NOV. 1.

LATER THAT MONTH, NOV. 21 TO 24, CAME THE STRIKE AT AND REDUCTION OF THE GILBERTS, INCLUDING "BLOODY TARAWA," LYING ON THE FLANK OF THE "ROAD TO TOKYO."

FLANK OF THE "ROAD TO TOKYO."

PAUSE FOLLOWED BY OFFENSIVE

THEN CAME ANOTHER THREE MONTHS' PAUSE, FOLLOWED BY OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS ON THE LARGEST SCALE UNDERTAKEN UP TO THAT TIME--AGAINST THE MARSHALLS, IN FEBRUARY, 1944, WHEN SIMULTANEOUS ATTACKS WERE LAUNCHED AGAINST KWAJALEIN, ROI, TAROA, AND WOTJE, ALL IN THE GROUP.

THE SWEEP ACROSS THE PACIFIC WAS UNDERWAY. WARD, WHEN LANDINGS WERE MADE ON SAIPAN, IN THE MARIANAS, JUNE 15, FOLLOWED A MONTH LATER BY LANDINGS ON GUAM AND TINIAN IN THE SAME GROUP. BUT IT WAS ANOTHER FOUR MONTHS UNTIL THE NEXT MAJOR STRIDE WEST-

IN SEPTEMBER, CAME THE LANDINGS ON PELELIU AND ANGAUR, IN THE PALAU ISLANDS, TO SECURE THE SOUTHERN FLANK OF THE ROUTE ACROSS THE PACIFIC TO THE PHILIPPINES.

THEN THE NAVY'S CONSTANTLY GROWING STRENGTH BEGAN TO BE RE-

FLECTED IN THE CONSTANTLY INCREASING TEMPO OF THE WAR. BEGINNING WITH THE FIRST LANDING IN THE PHILIPPINES, AT LEYTE, ON OCT. 20, MAJOR AMPHIBIOUS LANDINGS FOLLOWED CLOSE ON THE HEELS OF THE LAST, AT ORMOC DECEMBER 7, MINDORO DEC. 15, LINGAYEN GULF JANUARY 9, SUBIC BAY JAN. 29-30, NASUGBU JAN. 31, MARIVELES FEB. 14 AND CORREGIDOR FEB. 16, JUST THREE DAYS BEFORE THE IWO INVASION AND WHILE CARRIER TASK FORCES WERE HURLING DESTRUCTION AT TOKYO ITSELF AND ANOTHER SURFACE FORCE WAS BOMBARDING PARAMUSHIRO IN THE KURILES. CTEAMBOILER WAS IN HIGH GEAR

OKINAWA DESCRIPTIVE

WASHINGTON, APRIL 1-(AP)-THE LANDING ON OKINAWA MARKS ANOTHER LONG STEP IN THE PROCESS OF SLOW STRANGULATION OF THE JAPANESE HOMELAND. THE ISLAND WAS DESCRIBED BY AN OFFICIAL NAVY SPOKESMAN TODAY AS STRATEGICALLY IMPORTANT AS A CENTRAL POINT FROM WHICH TO MOUNT NEUTRALIZING AIR RAIDS AND TO STAGE ATTACKS ON FORMOSA, THE CHIMA COAST AND THE MAIN JAPANESE ISLANDS.

WHILE THE TOKYO AREA CAN BE REACHED BY BOMBERS FROM SAIPAN AND IWO JIMA, HE SAID, "WE NEED A BASE FROM WHICH TO BOMB THE INTERIOR OF JAPAN."

OKINAWA, HE SAID, HAS FIVE GOOD AIRFIELDS, WITH AMPLE ROOM FOR MORE. ANOTHER IS ON TINY IE SHIMA, OFF OKINAWA'S NORTH-

ABOUT CNE-THIRD OF THE ISLAND -- SOME 125 SQUARE MILES AT THE SOUTHERN END--WAS DESCRIBED AS USEFUL TERRAIN. THE NORTHERN TWO

THIRDS IS ROCKY AND OF LITTLE USE.
THE 1940 POPULATION OF THE ISLAND WAS 435,000, PRACTICALLY. ALL OF WHOM LIVED IN THE SOUTHERN THIRD.

THE CENTRAL LOCATION OF OKINAWA ISLAND IS POINTED UP BY THESE DIS-

IT IS 360 MILES FROM KYUSHU, 340 MILES FROM THE NORTH TIP OF FORMOSA, 450 MILES FROM THE CHINA COAST, 740 MILES FROM IWO JIMA, 780 FROM MANILA, AND 810 FROM TOKYO.

MILITARY MEN SAY OKINAWA'S DEFENSES PROBABLY ARE GOOD--NOT AS CONCENTRATED AS THE DEFENSES OF TINY IWO JIMA, BUT WITH SUBSTANTIAL FIXED AND MOBILE SYSTEMS, BUILT AROUND AIRFIELDS AND A NAVAL BASE. OKINAWA POSSESSES WHAT ISCLATED IWO JIMA LACKED, A POSITION INTO WHICH REINFORCEMENTS CAN BE SENT, EITHER DOWN FROM THE JAPANESE HOME-LAND OR UP FROM THE CITADEL OF FORMOSA.

A 33WX OKINAWA AFFORDS A NUMBER OF GOOD ANCHORAGES, THE NATY 945 SPOKESMAN SAID, MANY GOOD ROADS, ABOUT 30 MILES OF RAILROAD TRACKS AND MANY RIVERS, MOST OF THEM SHALLOW AND CAPABLE OF BEING

OTHERWISE, HE DESCRIBED THE ISLAND AS "NASTY, LIKE IWO JIMA." HEALTH CONDITIONS ARE LOW, WATER IS A PROPLEM, MALARIA IS PREVALENT, AND RAINWATER NORMALLY IS THE ONLY POTABLE WATER AVAILABLE. ANIMAL LIFE CONSISTS OF WILD DEER AND WILD PIGS, AND FIVE SPECIES OF VENOMOUS SNAKES. TEMPERATURES AVERAGE ABOUT 70 DEGREES WITHOUT MUCH SEASONAL CHANGE.

THE ISLANDS OF THE GROUP ARE NOT SELF-SUSTAINING, PRODUCING ONLY SUGAR, SILK AND DRIED FISH FOR EXPORT TO JAPAN.

OKINAWA WAS ANNEXED BY THE JAPANESE IN 1879 AND THE NATIVES SPEAK JAPANESE. BUT THE JAPANESE THEMSELVES CAN'T UNDERSTAND THE DIALECT. AND THE OKINAWAS LOOK AND DRESS MUCH LIKE THE JAPANESE BUT THEY ARE GENTLE AND UNWARLIKE, SAYS THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION WASHINGTON, APRIL 1-(AP)-NAVAL PERATIONS AGAINST OKINAWA

D OTHER ISLANDS OF THE RYUKYUS LEGAN MORE THAN FIVE MONTHS AGO WITH A CARRIER AIRCRAFT STRIKE BY VICE ADMIRAL MARC A.MITSCHER'S CARRIER TASK FORCE OF THE THIRD FLEET.

SINCE THAT TIME, THE RYUKYUS HAVE BEEN THE TARGET OF 14 SEPARATE STRIKES BY CARRIER BORNE AIRCRAFT AND FLEET UNITS, INCLUDING THE ATTACK BY SURFACE FORCES DURING THE NIGHT OF MARCH 27-28, ANNOUNCED BY FLEET ADMIRAL CHESTER NIMITZ TODAY.

ENEMY LOSSES CLAIMED AS A RESULT OF THESE OPERATIONS HAVE INCLUDED 199 ENEMY SHIPS OF ALL TYPES AND SIZES SUNK, 48 PROBABLY SUNK, AND 184 OTHERS DAMAGED; 452 PLANES AND A GLIDER DESTROYED AND 388

PLANES DAMAGED. THESE RESULTS WERE ACCOMPLISHED AT A REPORTED COST OF 80 PLANES LOST AND SLIGHT DAMAGE TO ONE SURFACE SHIP.

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(ADVANCE)...WASHINGTON, APRIL 2-(AP)-RUSSELL LORD, WRITER AND AUTHORITY ON CONSERVATION AND RURAL LIFE IN AMERICA, WILL GO TO ENGLAND EARLY THIS MONTH AS GUEST OF THE ROYAL GEOGRAPHIC SOCIETY AND THE BRITISH MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, THE OFFICE OF WAR INFORMATION ANNOUNCED TODAY.

LORD, WHOSE THREE-GENERATION BIOGRAPHY, "THE WALLACES OF IOWA," IS SCHEDULED FOR PUBLICATION THIS YEAR, WILL CONFER WITH BRITISH AGRICULTURAL LEADERS. HE ALSO WILL DELIVER A PAPER ON THE PROGRESS OF AMERICAN SOIL CONSERVATION BEFORE THE ROYAL GEOGRAPHIC SOCIETY.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR HIS TRIP WERE MADE BY OWI IN CONNECTION WITH ITS PROGRAM OF EXCHANGES OF BRITISH AND AMERICAN ECONOMIC, SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL LEADERS.

(END ADVANCE FOR AMS OF MONDAY, APR.2)

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MEW YORK, APRIL 1-(AP)-THE RIGHT HONORABLE OLIVER LYTTELTON,
BRITISH MINISTER OF PRODUCTION, AND THE RIGHT HONORABLE J.J.LLEWELLIN,
BRITISH MINISTER OF FOOD, LEFT LACUARDIA AIRPORT TODAY BY PLANE
FOR OTTAWA, AFTER CONFERENCES IN WASHINGTON ON WORLD FOOD PROBLEMS,
THEY ARRIVED IN THE UNITED STATES THESDAY.

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(ADVANCE) ... WASHINGTON, APRIL 1-(AP)-A 24-YEAR-OLD

INFANTRYMAN WHO THREW HIMSELF ON AN EXPLODING GERMAN HAND GRENADE

TO SAVE THE LIVES OF THREE COMRADES HAS BEEN AWARDED THE CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR.

THE LATEST HERO TO GAIN THE NATION'S HIGHEST HONOR ROLL, THE WAR DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY, IS T/S ROBERT D.MAXWELL OF LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO. WHO ESCAPED DEATH FROM THE GRENADE BURST BUT

WAS PERMANENTLY INJURED. HE IS NOW AT BAXTER GENERAL HOSPITAL, SPOKANE, WASH.

MAXWELL, A COMMUNICATION PLATOON LINEMAN, AND THE THREE OTHER LINEMEN WERE DEFENDING A BATTALION OBSERVATION POST IN A HOUSE NEAR BESANCON, FRANCE, LAST SEPT.7 WHEN THE GERMANS LAUNCHED A HEAVY ATTACK.

THE FOUR WERE JAMMED INTO A SMALL COURTYARD. A LOW WALL PROTECTED THEM AGAINST MACHINEGUN FIRE BUT THE GERMANS WORKED
THEIR WAY TO WITHIN 10 YARDS OF THEM AND BEGAN HURLING GRENADES.
CHICKEN WIRE ATOP THE WALL CAUGHT THE MISSILES AND THEY EXPLODED OUTSIDE THE COURTYARD.

FINALLY, HOWEVER, THE GERMANS GOT ONE OVER THE WIRE. IT HIT THE CEMENT FLOOR I/4 GYRIL F.MCCOLL OF (7916 ENGLENOOK PLACE), PITTSBURGH, ONE OF MAXWELL'S COMPANIONS, RECALLED:

"I WAS SURE WE WERE GONERS. THE HAND GRENADE CAME OVER IN A HIGH LOB AND LANDED RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE OF US. DURING THAT SPLIT SECOND WHILE WE WERE LYING THERE SWEATING, MAXWELL JUMPED FROM HIS POSITION AT THE WALL AND LANDED ON TOP OF THE GRENADE. HE HAD NO MORE THAN COVERED IT WHEN IT EXPLODED, AND BY SOME STROKE OF LUCK HE WASN'T KILLED."

MAXWELL PREVIOUSLY HAD WON THE SILVER STAR FOR GAL

ANTRY AND THE

PURPLE HEART ON JAN.30, 1944, IN ITALY WHEN HE WAS WOUNDED WHILE REPAIRING COMMUNICATIONS WIRE UNDER EXTREMELY HEAVY SHELLFIRE.

A FORMER TIMBER WORKER, HE LIVED ON STAR ROUTE, BELLVUE, LARIMER COUNTY. HIS GRANDMOTHER IS MRS.LYDIA M.MAXWELL OF DISSTON ROUTE, COTTAGE GROVE, ORE.

PLANS FOR PRESENTATION OF THE MEDAL ARE NOT COMPLETE.

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9th Army Spearheads Nearing River Weser Okinawa Cut In Two By American Thrust

2 Yank Armies Werra river on a broad front and crossed that stream near within 12 miles of Osnabrueck, big-Eisenach, 155 miles southwest of Berlin and 90 miles from rasp of the British since they Racing Toward desired waist of Germany, racing toward the Czechoslovakian frontiertanks were striking along a great waist of Germany, in an effort to split the Reich and preven military highway toward the Weser river, their cocky crews predicting

PARIS, Tuesday, April 3 .- (AP) American troops again crushed German attempts yesterday to break out of the Ruhr where 110,000 Nazis are trapped, as British and Canadiar forces to the north smashed 15 miles inside Holland and specties in 48 hours, took many prisoners, and widened its bridgewithin 68 miles of the German North sea coast, threatening to seal off another huge enemy group in the western Netherlands.

In the race toward Berlin, swift U. S. Ninth army columns American 15th army which was 65 me Scenen. striking far beyond the encircled Rubr, were nearing or might already have reached the New were near the Pied Piper town of Hamelin, 155 miles from Berlin.

350,000 Nazis Captured

A dispatch from Gen. Omar N. Bradley's 12th army group headquarters said a total of 350,000 Germans had been captured in March, 150,000 of them by the Third army and 90,000 by the First army, whose troops yesterday smashed Nazi break-out attempts and counterattacks in the Winterberg and Warburg areas.

The dispatch added: "The German situation in the West is falling apart so badly that the possibility of an attempt to transfer some divisions from the East isn't excluded, despite the sorry German situation in the East."

Forward elements of the sprinting Ninth army were moving under a security blackout in the attack toward Berlin, and land, occupied the communications capital, along with U. S. forces, but miles during the day and reached land, occupied the communications capital, along with U. S. forces, but miles during the day and reached

Slong the center of the front the U. S. Third army reached the ped around that bastion and raced

German troops from retreating into the Bavarian Alps. Otherthey would be in Berlin in less Third army units made a new crossing of the Fulda river in than a week. These forces were 22 this eastward sweep this eastward sweep.

Seventh Sweeps Ahead

The American Seventh army fanned out in sizeable advances to the north, east and west, and the adjacent French First army at the southern end of the front captured 60 localihead across the Rhine near Karlsruhe to 25 miles.

There still was no indication of the location and role of the new disclosed two days ago to be in In ten days the British had taken ney H. Hodges' First army.

tween Emmerich and Nijmegen on west of Osnabrueck. Enschede-Zutphen canal.

in Holland.

British Gain 25 Miles

dians the British, advancing 25 ticeably. miles through shattered towns and Marshal Montgomery's troops al- army, driving to cut Germany in

plunged close industrial city

action. It is believed it might be 20,000 captives and rolled more engaged in a holding operation. than 100 miles beyond the Rhine. cured in the area of Winterberg, Lifting a five-day security black- The deepest points announced as about mid-way between Paderborn out on the British Second and reached by British armor, infantry and Siegen. Doughboys still were Canadian First armies, the Allies and air-borne troops were Lenger- holding firm tonight, front reports disclosed last night that the Can- ich, nine miles southwest of Osna- said. adians, attacking in the area be brueck, and Ibbenburen, 11 miles

pushed forward and reached the points but security prevents locat- around the trapped Ruhr army ing all the areas reached.

The canal is only 15 miles from Thousand of Germans were re- Hodges' lines in the Warbur area the Zuider Zee (Ijssel Meer). Once porting fleeing from Holland in an southeast of Paderborn, but these the Allies reach that coast they effort to avoid the double noose too were hurled back. will have bisected all enemy forces that the British and Canadians were fashioning. As the Allied nihilation of the Ruhr forces will troops closed in on the V-bomb take time but will not preclude the rocket installations, rocket fire on advance of Allied armored columns On the right flank of the Cana- Britain already had subsided no- farther into Germany.

crossed the Rhine 10 days ago.

where on Sunday they had made a junction with U.S. First army

forces and troped 21 German divisions in the Ruhr.

Hamm, greatest rail center in Europe, was being mopped up by Maj. Gen. Robert Macon's 83rd di-

At the eastern side of the Ruhr pocket the Germans made their first coordinated attempt to break out of the trap, and were smashed back by troops of Lt. Gen. Court-

The attempt to break out oc-

Simultaneously, other German forces apparently intent on crackboth sides of the Dutch Rhine, had The British were beyond these ing the 30 to 40-mile-wide steel ring group, began counter-attacking

Allied headquarters said the an-

Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's Third armored vanguards already had the Werra river 90 miles from the Czechoslovak frontier at a point

The Sixth Armored division was less than 155 miles southwest of Berlin and 198 miles from the Ruseian front line. The parallel 11th Armored division which also reached the Werra river to the south was likewise 180 miles inside Germany-the deepest penetration into the Reich.

Patton Fights in Kassel

Patton's troops were fighting in the outskirts of the prized city of Kassel, and the 26th Infantry division was reported battling in the streets of Fulda, a great Catholic shrine city.

The fast-rolling Third army had reached the edge of the Thuringian forest, an area where the Germans are said to have built a great series of underground war plants and factories.

Farther south, Lt. Gen. Alexander M. Patch's Seventh army gained control of more than 14 miles of the river Main southeast of Wuerzburg and broke out of the Odenwald onto the Wuerzburg-Heilbronn plain.

The Germans said other elements of the Seventh army had reached the Bruchal area, 37 miles northwest of Stuttgart, and had outflanked the Rhine city of Karlsruhe at a point 12 miles to the

Nuernberg, great Nazi convention city and a vital communications point on the Berlin-Brenner pass route, was menaced by Patch's armored forces.

Paris, April 2 (AP)-The American 1st and 9th armies have trapped 21 divisions of 110,000 first-line German troops in the Ruhr and the British 2d Army, driving swiftly northeast, threatened today to throw a noose about another whole army group in Holland, reducing German strength in the West by two thirds. -ona

The 9th Army has driven 100 miles east of the Rhine, well past the Ruhr and its vast steel and coal works.

The 3d Army, spreading

into Kassel and Fulda and drove within 155 miles of Berlin land, 80 miles from Bremen and 135 from Hamburg. Its passed around Lippstadt, where the and 198 of the Russian lines in the East in a mighty cam- vast railroad yards have frequently been bombed. paign to cut Germany in two.

man ports, plunged to the outskirts of Lengerich, 20 miles Blaskowitz's headquarters, which were bombed into ruins northeast of Muenster and 122 from Hamburg. Lengerich last week. is 74 miles from Bremen and 217 from Berlin.

Yanks And British Get Into Muenster

Westphalian capital of Muenster and the Tommies cut the Canal connecting Duisburg with the Dortmund-Ems Canal— Dortmund-Ems Canal-major German inland waterway-perhaps the most important artificial waterway in Germany in at least two places near Reisenbeck and farther east.

Lieut. Gen. Sir Miles S. Dempsey's British and Scottish troops fought into the Teutoburg Forest near Bielefeld in the Ruhr came from he headquarters of Lieut. Gen. and drove from captured Rheine to within 12 miles of the William H. Simpson's 9th Army. Don Whitehead, Asso

ordinated attack in an attempt to break the encircling arms 100,000 Nazis caught in the Ruhr industrial basin." of the 1st and 9th armies between Paderborn and Siegen. The doughboys held firm in hard fighting.

Westphalian plains late today.

Rheine And Enschede Taken, Gronau Reached

schede Canal has been reached.

The entire Germany Army Group B commanded by rampaging tanks. Field Marshal Walther von Model was trapped in the Ruhr. In Army Group B are the 5th Panzer Army, the last tank portions of the battered 1st Parachute Army.

infantry, two parachute and four other divisions of Volks- Enschede and Rheine from isolated bands. sturm and Volksgrenadier troops. Model was believed to have yesterday.

3d's Tanks 95 Miles From Leipzig

Farther south, the 7th Army threatened the great Nazi shrine city of Nuernberg from positions 45 miles away. It where the Germans may make a supreme stand. After the also threatened Stuttgart. The 3d Army in the center got Weser, which flows through tanks within 95 miles of Leipzig and 92 of Czechoslovakia, river on the high road to Berlin.

Enschede, captured by the British, is 98 miles from

Bremen and 106 from the port of Wilhelmshaven. Rheine ported. swiftly and almost at will over central Germany, crashed is on the Ems River, 17 miles inside Germany from Hol-working down German pockets by-

Gronau is close to Enschede and between that Dutch Ruhr. The British 2d Army, wheeling toward the north Ger- city and Rheine. Enschede was Field Marshal Johannes

The Estimates Of Ruhr Bag

The United States 9th Army was disclosed to be clear-American and British armored troops crashed into the ing up the difficult builtup Ruhr area north of the Emscher except for the Kiel Canal.

The latest estimate of the number of Germans trapped

traffic center of Osnabrueck, 67 miles west of Hannover. ciated Press correspondent with the 1st Army on the south Trapped Germans in the Ruhr opened their first co- and east side of the trap, said there "may be upward of

Supreme headquarters early in the day estimated the bag at between 40,000 and 100,000. The lowest estimate of Field Marshal Montgomery lifted the long silence about 20,000 to 30,000 came in a dispatch from Gen. Omar N the 21st Army Group's advances in the Ruhr and on the Bradley's 12th Army Group headquarters, hours before the first hours. full extent of the Ruhr triumph was disclosed.

After five days of portentous silence, Field Marshal Among towns captured were Rheine and Enschede. Montgomery disclosed that German resistance in the bulg-Britons were in the outskirts of Gronau. The Zutphen-En- ing middle of his 21st Army Group front had collapsed and that his infantry forces were following swiftly behind the

"Wildcat Resistance" In Some Places

At spots, however, the British, Canadian and American army the Germans have in the West, the 15th Army and troops were running into "wildcat resistance," Correspondent Pugh Moore reported from Montgomery's headquarters. In the 4,000-square-mile Ruhr bag are five tank, ten Sustained opposition, for instance, was reported between

"Most other German troops were showing more dispoescaped before the 2d and 3d divisions closed the trap sition to give up when cornered," Moore wirelessed. The British have taken 20,000 captives since crossing the Rhine and now are well over 100 miles beyond that river.

The 9th Army was streaming toward the Weser River,

Bremen, the Elbe is the only real Simpson's army struck out this

captured Paderborn.

"In Berlin In A Week"

would be in Berlin in less than a

lst and 9th armies joined, and around Hamm, eastern exist of the

The British radio said 2d Army troops were nearing the great traffic center of Osnabrueck, 25 miles east of captured Rheine, and that all organized resistance had collapsed on the center of Montgomery's

Allied Planes Hampered

The Germans were trying to extricate what they could from Holland before the British trap Army Group H, which includes the 25th Army, parts of the 1st Parachute Army and some reserves. But Blaskowitz was believed to have waited too long and it was doubtful whether his men could reach the last roads and railways before the more mobile British. Sullen weather, preg large-scale air operations, hampered the Allies.

The Canadian 1st Army opened

n attack of its own between Nijlegen and Arnhem along the lower Mhine, gaining nearly a mile in the

Hodges 171 From Berlin

The 1st Army broadened its band around the trapped Germans in the Ruhr, pushing 8 miles east of Paderborn to reach Peckelsheim and Bordentreich, 7 miles north of Warburg. Infantry pushed to Altenruthen, 12 miles southeast of Lippstadt. Lieut. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges's troops thus were within 171 miles of Berlin.

The 7th Army's 45th Infantry Division took more than 1,000 East. prisoners in the bitterly contested Aschaffenburg area on the Main River, where resistance started miles to reach the vicinity of Mit-

folding up. The 3d Division pushed through to Erlenfurth, 15 miles east of Aschaffenburg and 5 miles short

3,000. The 9th Army took 3,000 the fanatical resistance to the 3,000. The 9th Army took 3,000 south delayed the American en-

its swift drive to cut Germany in two and headed east, crossing two and keep Nazi troops in the north from reaching the Bavarian miles southeast of Kassel.

Alps, where Hitler may be preparing for his last stand.

Patch had 7th Army tanks within "The 2d Armored Division and1 45 miles of Nuernberg, where he infantry were boasting that they could cut one of the two main railroads from Berlin through Munich to the Brenner Pass.

Fight For Recklinghausen

The American 9th Army was officially reported by the Germans to be fighting fiercely for the Ruhr city of Recklinghausen. Allied advances in the Rhine plain south of Heidelberg were reported. The Germans said the American 7th Army had reached the Bruchsal area, 37 miles northwest of Stutt gart, outflanking Karlsruhe at point 12 miles northeast.

The direction in which General Dempsey aimed indicated that all railway connections with the Vland would be free from those attacks.

Mosquito bombers attacked the road and rail traffic surging east through the narrowing western Holland bottleneck all last night.

The 7th Army's 12th Armored Division reached Ochsenfurt and the outskirts of Wuerzburg. Patch's force was 100 miles or less from Czechoslovakia and linked up with the French 1st Army, which had overrun 20 or more towns in an 18-mile penetration beyond

350,000 Nazis Captured

A total of 350,000 Germans captured on the Western front in March included 150,000 taken by the 3d Army and 90,000 by the 1st. a dispatch from Bradley's 12th Army Group headquarters said adding:

"The German situation in the West is falling apart so badly that the possibility of an attempt to transfer some divisions from the East isn't excluded, despite the sorry German situation in

The 11th Armored Division made the longest 3d Army gain of 25 tledorf. 20 miles northeast of

Hard Fight South Of Kassel

The 6th Armored and 80th Infantry divisions liquidated Germans fighting savagely south of The Allies took at least 27,000 Kassel. The mayor of Kassel in a more prisoners yesterday. The 3d cers of the 6th Armored declared Army took 11,307, the 1st 5,700 his city desired to surrender, but the 7th 4,000 and the British 2d the families and the families of the 6th Armored declared his city desired to surrender, but Above Eisenach Patton's army division turned the capture job was closest to the Russian front in over to the 80th (Blue Ridge) Di-

> sion that entered the outskirts of Fulda in the path blazed by the 11th Armored Division.

The entire German Army Group B commanded by Field Marshal Walther von Model is in the trap. Army Group B includes the Fifth German Panzer Army, last tank army the enemy has in the west, the Fifteenth Army and portions of the battered First Parachute Army. In the 4,000-square-mile Ruhr bag are five tank, ten infantry, two parachute and four other divisions of Volkssturm and Volksgrenadier troops. Von Model was believed to have escaped before the Second and Third Divisions shut the trap on Easter Sunday.

Ninth Army Far Beyond Rhine.

The Ninth Army tanks, which have smashed more than 100 but a few of the circuitous road and miles east of the Rhine, were reported near Sennel, twenty-two bomb belt on the Dutch coast would miles northeast of Lippstadt, soon be cut and the heart of Eng- where its spearheads linked up yesterday with elements of the First Army. The columns are streaming toward the Weser River, where the Germans may make a supreme stand. After the Weser, which flows through Bremen, the Elbe is the only real river on the high road to Berlin. Gen. Simpson's Army struck out this morning from a point southeast of captured Paderborn.

"The Second Armored Division and infantry were boasting they would be in the German capital in less than a week," a front dis-

patch reported.

The Eighty-third Infantry Division was working down German pockets bypassed around Lippstadt, where the First and Ninth armies joined, and around Hamm, eastern exit of the Ruhr.

Other Ninth Army units were disclosed to be clearing up the difficult built up Ruhr area north of the Emscher canal connecting Duisburg with the Dortmund-Ems canal-perhaps the most important artificial waterway in Germany except for the Kiel canal. This area is far to the rear

The Third Army, units which fought into Kassel and Fulda, sent armored spearheads within 155 miles of Berlin and 198 of the Russian lines.

The armored column reaching within 155 miles of Berlin was at a point three miles northwest of Eisenach at the northwest edge of the famous Thuringian Forest. There, Gen. Patton's Army was ninety-five miles from Leipzig and closest to the Russian front in its swift power drive to bisect the Reich and bar access of troops in the north to the Bavarian Alps, where Hitler may be preparing for his last stand. The fall of Kassel, much

Isolated Nazis Being Wiped Out. The Thunderbolts interrupted a

expanse overrun last week by the bardment to continue. Third Army. Some 300 SS troops

Rotenberg, twenty - four miles southeast of Kassel. A few traps still were being mopped up north of Frankfurt on the Main. The Germans mined the Frankfurt-Berlin superhighway at spots and ambushed supply lines behind Patton's vanguards in small scale actions.

had Seventh Army tanks within forty-five miles of the Nazi congress city of Nuernberg (population: 431,000), where he could cut one of the two main trucklines from Berlin through Munich to the Brenner Pass.

The Seventh Army's Twelfth Armored Division reached Ochsenfurt and the outskirts of Wuerz-

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least 27,000 i re prisoners yes rescue drive. terday. The Third Army got 11,- The Fourth Infantry division, 307, the First, 5,700; the Seventh, pushing forward in agother sector. 4,000, and the British Second, 3.000. The Ninth Army took 3,000 wounded in a convalescent hospital at Ahlen yesterday.

WITH THE U. S. SEVENTH German general but his identity Approximately 1,000 German in The Sixth Armored and Eightieth Infantry divisions liquidated German girlson of the city. The Mayor of Kassel of the city. The Mayor of Kassel of the city. The Mayor of Kassel of the city of the city. The Mayor of Kassel of the city o in a telephone conversation with heavily fortified city wiped off the officers of the Sixth Armored Di- map today as Lt. Gen. Alexander vision declared his city desired to M. Patch's troops lunged eastward

sion and headed eastward, cross Thunderbolt pilots of the First Tactical air force. Already the ing the Fulda River near Spang- town, in which teen-age girls are enberg, eight miles southeast of fighting alongside German troops, is a heap of smoking rubble.

A few isolated German pockets five-day assault on the stubborn were being erased in the vast city today to ask the ground com-

Back went the order to keep up were reported holding out in the assault as long as the Ger-

> mans continued to fire on American soldiers working their way into the area used by the Wehrmacht as a battle indoctrination school for young Nazis during the long preparation for this war.

Tonight the 157th infantry regiment was fighting inside the town. Lieut.-Gen. Alexander M. Patch Other elements of the 45th division had cleared Schweinheim on the southeastern outskirts and captured Haibach and Strassbeseenbach. about three miles due east.

> Troops of the seventh army teamed up with soldiers from Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's Third army to liberate 7,000 Allied soldiers-half of them Americansfrom a German camp near Aschaf-

burg at Marie perg across the fenburg and drove farther east Main from the Bavarian city of with renewed vigor on reports that 108,000. Patch's force was 100 14,000 more Allied captives were being held by the Nazis in a wooded area nearby.

The liberated soldiers were in a is 10 miles northeast of Aschaffen-All told the Allies bagged at burg. Forces of the 106th Cavalry and another cavalry group led the



Defenders of Aschaffenburg Ordered Wiped Out by Yanks

Yanks Hold Fast As Nazis Seek To Flee Iran

By Don Whitehead

With U.S. 1st Army, April 2 (AP)-The Germans launched their first co-ordinated attack today to break an escape corridor through the Allies' steel ring encircling the Ruhr. Hard fighting still was in progress early tonight.

German infantry supported by tanks hit the lst Army's 9th Divi-sion near Vinterburg about halfway between Paderborn and Siegen, trying to smash a lane through Lieut. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges's lines to the east.

But at last reports the doughboys were holding firm and beating back this desperate attempt of Marshal Kesselring to save some of his troops trapped in the Ruhr.

Tens Of Thousands Caught

Tens of thousands of German troops were caught in a steel vise formed by the juncture of the 1st and 9th Armies, who had cut all major escape routes.

Swift American infantry, following quickly in the wake of the 3d Armored Division, mounted guard over all possible escape avenues as disorganized enemy troops and tanks stabbed to the east and northeast, trying frantically to uncover an escape gap.

The trap, which is throttling all northwestern Germany, was sprung when Lieut. Col, Matthew Kane, of Des Moines, Iowa, sent a task force east from Paderborn yesterday to meet the 9th Army's 2d Armored Division at Lippestadt, 15 miles to the west. The 3d Armored had wiped out the last enemy resistance in Paderborn by yesterday afternoon, clamping an iron grip on that important road junction.

Kesselring Too Slow

Field Marshal Albert Kesselring noved too slowly to get his troops back on another line before Berlin. The rapid moves of Hodges's nighty tank force which swung orth outflanked the Ruhr and the dvances by Lieut, Gen. William H. Simpson's 9th Army from the

attacked late yesuth and southeast, terday to th the 1st Army line. trying to ci fighting raged be-For two he Zig and the 9th Artween these

mored Division's tanks and troops. The American armor drove them back and knocked the fight out of eight tanks in the slam-bang battle inside 1st Army lines.

The 9th Army drive had carried from the Rhine east to Essen and then along the Lippe Canal, bypassing Hamm and continuing east through to the juncture with Hodges's troops, which were cleaning out the enemy forces desperately trying to hold Paderborn, center on a main road to Berlin. The spectacular moves by the two American armies sealed off a Ruhr box roughly 55 miles wide from Hamm to Siegen and 75 miles deep from Dusseldorf to the 1st Army lines south of Paderborn.

There is hard fighting ahead and anyone who thinks the war will be over in the next few days is likely to be badly fooled. Even though disorganized, the enemy still is putting up a fight and there are no indications of mass surrender.

By WES GALLAGHER

WITH THE U. S. SECOND AR-MORED DIVISION IN TEUTO-BURGER WALD, Germany, April 2-(AP) The drive across the northern German plain is not now a battle but an obstacle race and it appears no longer a question of getting to Berlin-but who will get there first.

(Gallagher gave his colleagues several anxious hours today when he and Pvt, Herbert Loesch of Chicago, German-speaking interpreter, ran into a road block and ambush near Oelde, southeast of Muenster. No further word was received from Gallagher until late afternoon when he radioed headquarters of an armored division that he had gotten let but came through all right. He

Battle in Forest

Rhine had swept around the Ruhr of the U. S. Ninth army of This "Hell on Wheels" division

straight through the Teutaburger Wald mountain pass two miles south of Bielefeld on the Autobahn leading to Berlin. Farther south Second Armored division tanks and other infantry elements fought in other Teutaburger Wald mountain passes.

More than 7,500 prisoners have been taken by the Second Armored's combat teams in the past three days in the collapse of the German army in the west. There has been nothing met since the drive across the Dortmund-Ems canal which could be described as an organized defense.

Aircraft factories and military oumps of such tremendous size they could only be used as main reserve depots have been overrun in the Second Armored's 100-mile dash crossing the Rhine.

As this is written a task force under command of Lt. Col. Hugh R. O'Farrell of Atlanta, Ga., is driving along the Autobahn just south of Bielefeld, held up only by an overpass blown down on the Hitler superhighway.

Ninth Cuts Through Raid

The powerful Ninth army armor sliced western Germany in slivers with steel shears which cut 26 miles in the past 24 hours, fighting some of the weirdest battles of the War.

The Second Armored linked up with the Third Armored division of the First army near Lippstadt Sunday afternoon, snapping a steel trap around the Ruhr's four million civilians and several German divisions. The Wehrmacht fought desperately to get out, attempting a breakthrough at Hamm with armored trains, only to be engaged by American tanks and batteries at oint-blank range.

Ahlen, with 13 German hospitals containing 3,000 German soldiers. surrendered without firing a shot to the Second Armored combat command.

The swift advance resulted in the capture of several important local Nazi party leaders, including one woman and two brownshirted Hitler storm troopers.

A German army corps area was overrun and all its installations taken with scarcely a fight.

Four wounded American airmen and two British airmen who were shot down in the airborne landings in front of the British Second army were liberated by the advancing troops, who showered them with candy, cigarettes and rations.

Yanks Play Sick As They Await

By Thoburn Wiant

Near Siegenhain, Germany, April 2 (A)-Harshly treated American prisoners played sick, stalled for time and so exasperated the German commandant who had ordered them evacuated ahead of the approaching 3d Army that he begged for 50 volunteers to leave the camp to uphold his prestige.

They ignored his request, and 1,277 Americans captured in the Belgian bulge battle last winter were among 5,000 prisoners freed from the barbed-wire inclosure when the the Armored Division arrived.

Evacuation Ordered

German commandant alarmed at the approach of Lieut. Gen. George S. Patton's armor, on the evening of March 28 ordered the camp evacuated by 8 o'clock the next morning.

But the Americans knew the tanks were about to arrive. There were 100 escape attempts that night. One Negro from Pennsylvania was killed. About 200 Americans were missing at roll call the in sewers and other places in the

Pretend To Be Sick

Americans preparatory to evacua- jammed into wooden barracks tion of the camp, they pretended with inadequate stoves. to be sick. Some had eaten soap. Others pretended to faint. Every body stalled, hoping to see the Nazis Force Women Yanks arrive.

Finally, the commandant became so exasperated he sent all back to officer would not be tarnished. None volunteered.

a semi-strivation diet.

nationals found in the enclosure in soup and two pieces of bread a an open field in this sector, about lay. They wore wooden shoes 14 miles south of Kassel. They in and garments made from burlap cluded 2,000 British and Dominion bags. They had no soap. troops, 1,000 Russians and 300 of Staff Sergt. Claus Mayer, of other nationalities.

900 Jewish Women Freed

In addition, the American armored division also rescued 900 women who had been Jewish brought into the area from Hungary as slave laborers. The women were between the ages of 16 and 35. They told of atrocious mistreatment at the hands of the Germans and said that in some instances sick girls unable to work had been thrown into trucks with corpses, hauled off and cremated.

The Americans' clothes hung on them like scarecrows and their protruding ribs testified to the lack of food, but their morale was high. After capture in the Bastogne-Clervaux area last December, they were forced to march four days through snow and mud, with only half a loaf of bread daily, they said. Then they were herded into boxcars.

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New Yorker's Story.

One prisoner, from New York city, told me that one group was held in the cars seven days and the other ten days without food or water. They said that the Germans, after stripping them of their watches and money, slapped them and pushed them around.

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One American said his shoes had been taken from him and he had been forced to walk eighty miles through the snow in his stocking feet. Nine soldiers were killed when American planes strafed the unmarked boxcars.

Later they were taken to Bad Orb, between Frankfurt and Wuerzburg, where, they said, sannext morning. They were hiding itary conditions were appalling. The privates were left there to work in slate mines, while the corporals and sergeants were When the Germans lined up the brought to Siegenhain and

To Make Poison Gas

Near Siegenhain, Germany, their barracks with the request April 2 (A. P.).—Nine hundred that at least 50 volunteer to leave Jewish women from Hungary, that at least 50 voluntees a German who were liberated by the advance of the United States Sixth Yanks Lose 25 To 40 Pounds
The Americans, who came from almost every state of the Union, had lost 25 to 40 pounds a man had lost 25 to 40 pounds a man Seized by the Corrections. during 3½ months as prisoners on Seized by the Germans nine months ago, the women said they Equally mistreated were other were fed only a bowl of watery

11 West 69th street, New York city, revealed the women's story.

COME AND GET US **CEORGIE PATTON**

Siegenhain, Germany, April 2 (A. P.).-Americans freed from the German prison camp near here had a theme song: "Come and Get Us, Georgie Patton." Sung to the tune "Glory, Glor Hallelujah," the

We're a bunch of Yankee soldiers living deep in Germany.

We're eating soup and black bread and a beverage they call tea.

And we'll keep on singing till Patton sets us free

So we can come rambling home. So we can come rambling nome.

Come and get us, Georgie Patton,

Come and get us, Georgie Patton,

Come and get us, Georgie Patton,

we can come rambling home.

The rescue was made by Gen. Patton's Sixth Armored Divi-

WITH THE UNITED STATES
THIRD ARMY, April 2 (P)—A
group of American and British prisoners, liberated when the American Eleventh Armored Divi-sion overran a hospital at Grimmenthal, told today of a forced march ackess Germany to the vicinity of the Russian front and back again, during which more than 1,000 of their comrades died.

The prisoners freed included seventy Americans and more than 450 Britons. Most of the British prisoners took part in the Arnheim airborne expedition last September.

Heeing From Nazis, Pair Captures 20

With the U.S. 9th Army, April 2 P)-Lieut, William Emerick, of Piper Cub yesterday for Artillery above the route for several days.
Obervel App James E. Mahan.
of Chickashal Okla., when they a train blocked by the blasted track a train blocked by the blasted track and rolled it through the apparents.

Apparently the saboteurs unbraked a train blocked by the blasted track Army until six months ago when were pounced on by a flight of and rolled it through the opening German fighter planes.

Deciding they were no match miles northeast of Mannheim. for the Nazi fighter planes, they bailed out and when they scrambled down from a tree found 20 German soldiers waiting to sur-

Begin Moving V Weapons WITH CANADIAN IST ARMY

loose ear to Arnhem, the Gernard as a souve-mans have begun to remove their Gaede, commander of the 719th V weapons from The Hague area Volksgrenadier Division, taken and haul them back eastward. prisoner Friday by Corp. Robert The weapons are some of those Ketters of Pittsburgh, Pa., and which have been bombarding Pfc. Vernon Wigston of Madrid. southern England.

The Canadians also are apsince last October.

Brooklyn Officer Tells Them WITH THE UNITED STATES NINTH ARMY, in Germany, April 2 (AP)-A homesick German who had just surrendered asked Lieut. The Americans moved in on the Alvin Shapiro of Brooklyn, today, Princess. if he could stop at a house down the road and say good-bye to his mother. "Sure, if I can go back to Broooklyn and see my wife," was the veteran Second Armored Division tanker's reply.

Nazi Supply Train Ambushed By Yanks

(AP)—The 2d Armored Division had just captured (name of town censored) eyesterday when they received word that a German train from the Ruhr.

Capt. Willis N. Maddox, Baton Rouge, La., took his gun battery ing guard outside her door. down to the tracks and waited. When the train came within range the battery opened fire at point blank range and knocked off every car

Saboteurs Block

With U.S. 7th Army, April 2 (A)-Sabcteurs, in their first reported strike on the United States Emmanuel of Croy, whose mother 7th Army front, plunged a German was Nancy Leishman, of Pittsburgh, train and several coaches through daughter of a former American a shattered overpass onto a mili- Ambassador to Germany, said tary highway through Erbach to-American bombers had destroyed day, killing some American troops his castle at Dulmen.

onto the busy convoy route, 23

and traffic was resumed shortly.

Sightseers Capture General WITH THE SEVENTH ARMY. in Germany, April 2 (AP)-Two Fourteenth Armored Division ordnance men went on a sightseeing IN HOLLAND, April 2 (A).—
With the Canadian forces on the loose east of Aynhem, the Gernir. He was Brig. Gen. Heinrich

Princess Valerie, a great granudaughter of Queen Victoria. "Imagine me getting along in fourteen rooms.

Yank Guards Her Door The Americans, pushing ever

cess recently had Private Donald

Her husband, Prince Engelbertten days ahead of schedule and Karl Arenberg, said he was worried about his huge estate and his prize horses which liberated slave. prize horses which liberated slave laborers were riding back to their home in France, Belgium and Hol- Gen. John R.

Tanks With Train of the hoary landmarks are gone, morning.

Nazi Purge Hits Prince

The tall, handsome Prince Karl

and delaying an armored column. "My family came here with The overbass, as a result of an Napoleon," he said. "The castle North Collins. N.Y., was piloting a explosion, had been gaping open has been ours all that time. Now

he said he was put out along with all royalty after the Nazi purge. Bulldozers cleared the wreckage E. Metz, lives at 420 Park avenue, He said his sister, Mrs. Richard

proaching sites from which V-bombs have been launched against bombs have been launched against Princess Uses Crying Towel In 'Cramped' 14-Room Abode

With U.S. 9th Army, April 2 (AP). Troops Reach Tobara on

And her Royal Highness, who had to give up most of her 300-room

Rhine can count like it.
"I wouldn't par screams in the quarters the Americans asked me Prive in," indignantly asserted

East Coast Ten Days. Ahead of Schedule.

JAP RESISTANCE WEAK

Americans Cut Off Zampa

was Using ed Airstrips.

GUAM, Tuesday, April 3 eastward, vacated the 200-year-old Crack troops of the new Tenth loaded with supplies was headed their way in an effort to escape palace today. The 45-year-old Prin Army's 24th corps cut the vital island of Okinawa in two yesterisland of Okinawa in two yester-C. Hershey, Caribou, Maine, stand- day by reaching the village of Tobara on the east coast almost

> At Tobara, the Yanks of Maj. Hodges were on the shores of Katsuren bay, im-In all, the American 9th Army mediately north of the extensive on its drive from the Rhine to the fleet anchorage at Nakagusuku Weser had overrun about 100 of bay, a major objective of the mothese ancient Rhine castles. Some mentous invasion launched Easter

> > Race Across Island

Yesterday's swift drive by the 24th covered two and a half miles across the eight-mile-wide waist of Okinawa, the strategic Ryukyu chain island only 325 miles south of the Japanese homeland.

The entire Tenth army line of Doughboys and Marines showed "My family came here with gains averaging several thousand yards against scattered resistancewhich front line reports said included uniformed Japanese women.

In the extreme north of the Geiger's Third Marine amphibious fully. corps pushed forward to the north and east to cut off Zampa cape which cuts out prominently at the tip of the seven and onehalf mile long invasion beach.

While many units walked ahead such a vital stronghold, troops in the center of the island encountered rugged terrain and increased enemy activity.

This was taken as an indication chance. that the Japanese as usual were any high ground they could hold.

There still was no disposition island. Some officers expressed the belief that the Japanese expected landings on the southern end, around the important town of Naha, when the Kerama islands offshore were taken a few days earlier, and concentrated their defense there.

Whatever the reason, it appeared that Lt. Gen. Simon Bolivar Buckner, Jr.'s newly-formed Tenth Army had achieved one of the greatest coups of the war against Japan.

Planes Use Airfield

Adm. Chester W. Nimitz said in his communique today that American observation planes already were operating off of two of the main captured airfields, Katena and Yontan.

Japanese planes attacked Yank

positions Sunday night, and five of them were shot down, Nimitz announced.

He said carrier aircraft, heavy guns of the fleet and field artillery

were giving close support to the ground operations.

Unloading of supplies was reported progressing satisfactorily.

Thus in two days of this amazingly easy campaign the Yanks scored a major blow by severing the southern part of Okinawa, including the populous city of Naha and its large adjacent airfield, from the extensive fleet anchorages of the north.

On the east coast, the Americans were in excellent position to secure the fine fleet anchorage of Nakagusuku bay, a few miles south of Tobara. This is one of the chief objectives of the invasion.

Front dispatches said the Americans in this "too easy" invasion were moving at a pace necessary to cover every square yard of keep adequate supplies at the front. Opposition Weak

The campaign was described from the scene as the easiest invasion of the entire Pacific. Whether Japanese concentrations of troops may be severely hampered by the bisecting of the island remains to be seen in the fighting that must American line, Maj. Gen. Roy S. come before the island is occupied

American troops apparently saw far more civilians than Japanese soldiers charged with the defense of the main island of the Ryukyus, a chain which stretches between the southern Japanese homeland with amazingly little opposition for island of Kyushu and Formosa to the south.

> Not a single Japanese prisoner of war has been captured, probably because the Yanks haven't had a

The southern extremity of the holed up in caves and commanding beachhead is at the narrowest part of south-central Okinawa. Nakagusuku bay, directly opposite, was to change the original estimate a favorite maneuvering ground of that the Japanese have 60,000 to the Japanese fleet. It is a rectang-100,000 troops on the 65-mile-long ular bay about six miles deep and 14 wide.

The south end of the line cuts around the towns of Kue and Chatan. The center now runs to the east coast through gullies and hill masses which failed to slow the ahead-of-schedule spring across Okinawa. At the north is a 300-foot dome-like hill. Whether the Marines seized this or bypassed it was not established.

Soldiers and Marines of this new field force, commanded by Lt. Gen Simon Bolivar Buckner, Jr., already had seized two major alrfields and on frontline dispatch said a third airstrip had been sec-

Supplies Pour Ashore Supplies poured ashore by the

thousands of tons to support this greatest amphibious invasion of the Pacific war, which so far has fail- airstrip had also been captured. ed to encounter serious resistance.

Radio Tokyo, in an unconfirmed report, said the Yank forces Sunday night landed on Kume island. 52 miles west of Okinawa. Kume is beyond the tiny Kerama islands. where Americans landed prior to the Okinawa invasion. The Navy established a seaplane base in the. Kerama group in a daring move preceding the landings on Okinawa.

Thus Americans quickly achieved a vital aim of the operation-bases from which to raid Japan's mainland, blockade the East China sea and gain air domination over such points as Shanghai and the Yangtze river mouth, only 400 miles away.

There still was no report of serious opposition from Okinawa's Japanese garrison, believed to number from 60,000 to 80,000, nor from the nearly half a million civilian Okinawans

Associated Press Correspondent James Lindsley reported the only sign of death he saw on the beachground in search of snipers and to head was "a diminutive Okinawan horse, its legs sticking grotesquely outward."

New Landing

[American assault forces landed at 8.25 P.M. Sunday night, Japanese time, on the southern tip of Kume Island, 52 miles west of Okinawa, the Tokyo radio reported today. There has been no American confirmation of such a landing.

[Kume is the most westerly of the Ryukyu chain. A landing there, like those by American forces in the Kerama Islands nearer Okinawa a week ago today, would be intended to secure the hold on Okinawa.]

Front lines were 3,000 to 5,000 vards inland by nightfall Easter Sunday with the beachhead secured from small arms fire. The beachhead at that time was 3 miles deep and 8 miles wide.

Halfway Across

American troops, halfway across the island in two laces, confined Japanese north- traffic to the eastern shore. L. it. Gen. Si Bolivar Buck-

Yanks Halfw Across Okinawa New Ryukyu _anding Reported

Guam, April 2 (A)-With soldiers and Marines well across central Okinawa Island after a "too easy" landing Sunday morning on its western beaches, one of the principal purposes of the invasion of this strongpoint 325 miles south of Japan has already been accom-

Seaplanes based in the nearby Kerama Islands are beginning the sea-air blockade that Admiral Chester W. Nimitz predicted would be a major factor in ssuring "final

decisive victory

The new on Army sent the 24th Army Corps and Marine 3d Amphibious Corps onto Okinawa's amazingly lightly defended beaches with their guns slung on their shoulders. By dusk they had seized two of Okinawa's five airfields. Front reports indicated a third

ner, Jr., co hanc termy forces in the operation, sail "we now have an excellent beachhead," Associated Press Correspondent Vern Haugland reported.

The two points of farthest advance were east of Katena airfield and east of Chatan Village a couple of miles to the south. The advance from Catan was across the narrowest neck of Okinawa.

James Strebig, Associated Press aviation editor aboard a seaplane tender in the Keramas, called the United States base in Japan's for-

mer waters the "largest and most daring floating seaplane base operation in history." The first seaplane was put into operation from the floating base last Saturday.

Protected Waters

Kerama waters are excellently protected, with long runways and good anchorages available.

Admiral Richmond Kelley Turner told Haugland that the invasion of the central Ryukyus will cut Japan's traffic to the south and for the first time shut off her surface

Conquering the island, Turner tive we feel we can afford losses."

"Okinawa's capture," he said, Iwo also has no harbor. "will cut off Japan's traffic to the south and for the first time will shut off traffic up the Yangtze River except by submarine. The Yangtze River is to a large extent the lifeline of the Japanese Army in China.

Contact With British

Turner said contacts with the British fleet had not yet been very close "but I can say there are no problems of co-operation between the services. What problems we have are problems of co-operation by persons,'

There was no report of the en emy's expected dusk or night aerial attacks. Okiwana is midway between Formosa and Kyushu, strong enemy airbases, leading one staff officer here to forecast "there will be no quiet nights on Okinawa, probably until the end of the war.'

Most occupants of the beachhead areas fled inland before the invasion and aged civilians found hiding in caves said Japanese soldiers took to the hills two days before to escape the terrific naval gunfire.

One civilian said every Okiwana male of 15 to 60 had been ordered to fight-with bamboo spears if necessary. So far they haven't.

The invaders walked inland from the beaches 200 yards or more without once having to seek shel-

Tough fighting is expected, how ever, as the Japanese reorganize for defense. The enemy, surprised by invasion of Okinawa's western shore near Katena after a ten-day bombing and bombardment of his eastern shore defenses, was expected to fight fanatically from pre pared positions, probably in the low hills in the center of the island. Estimates of Japanese strength on Okinawa range from 60,000 to 100. 000 troops.

Size of the Yank invasion force was not announced but it, too, numbered perhaps 100,000.

"It is difficult to over-emphasize the importance of this operation.' asserted General Buckner, whose new 10th Army command comprises the 24th Army Corps and the Marine 3d Amphibious Corps. made up of probably six divisionsall veterans of Pacific fighting.

Buckner watched the landings from the flagship of Vice Admiral

"From the standpoint of our of fensive, this is the most valuable island yet invaded." he told Haug-

Iwo Jima, secured only seventeen

traffic up the Yangtze River of days ago in the Pacific war's bloodiest campaign, gave the United States airbases 750 miles from said, would "take time and won't Tokyo. However, it is too small to be easy going. We are going to have mount raids in strength, and the losses, but in this forward move- Marianas are too far from Japan to ment toward our ultimate objec- permit B-29's to carry quite half their maximum 10-ton bomb loads.

Invasion of Okinawa was the greatest amphibious operation of the Pacific war. Nimitz placed 1.400 ships of all types at the disposal of Admiral Raymond A. Spruance, commander of the 5th Fleet and tactical commander of the Okinawa operation, while Vice Admiral Marc A. Mitscher, commander of the world's largest carrier task force, had 1.500 naval planes.

As the Yanks pushed inland, landing craft were sending their cargoes of ammunition and supplies to the beaches. Some artillery was landed.

The Okinawa landing is rated the most successful D-day operation in central Pacific war history.

Losses Seen As Light By nightfall, Associated Press Correspondent James Lindsley, with the Marines, reported American casualties were "almost negligible" and Correspondent Haugland, with the infantry, termed them "very light."

The enemy sporadically dropped some mortar and artillery shells onto the beaches after the first waves were ashore, but the guns spotted and silenced by bombs and naval guns.

Radio Tokyo, without confirmations broadcast a report that 2,100 Americans were killed or wounded on D-day.

Maj. Gen. Roy S. Geiger, com-mander of the Marine 3d Amphi-bious Corps, told Lindsley he was amazed at the ease with which his leathernecks secured their beachheads but warned "the Jap may have something up his sleeve."

There were hundreds of caves on and near the beaches, but no evidence they had been fortified with artillery or mortars. There were ideal gun positions on the beaches-but no defensive fire from them.

Nowhere did the Japanese offer strong opposition. Associated Press Correspondent Robbin Coons said the huge amphibious force traveled 'unmolested through hundreds of miles at sea." Only four Japanese planes attacked the force on D-day itself. All four were destroyed .

A Jap Alignts

Radiol—A Japanese flyer for some ferocious, just voracious. Nothing unexplained reason landed his is wrong with their mental attitude fighter plane on Yontan airfield that a can of Arations won't cure.

his plane. He was promptly shot than 1,200 of them had been roundby amazed Marines lining the air-

PLANES RELAYED OKINAWA NEWS

Aboard a Seaplane Tender in Kerama Retto, April 2 (A. P.). -Activities of fast earriers which instituted the softening processes prior to the landings on Okinawa were reported via a novel rethod wherein Navy plants ased on the Marianas flew over the flat tops and received correspondents' dispatches via radio. The news was flown to base, relayed to the Navy's Pacific Ocean headquarters, then radioed to the continent. Usually carrier reports were delayed because of radio silence.

Nimitz Lauds British Fleet

(A)-Fleet dmiral Chester W. Nimitz today congratulated Vice Admiral Sir Bernard Rawlings, commander of

the British Pacific fleet task force in the Ryuky Islands operations.

Nimitz, as to martier in chief of the United States acific Fleet, said the British fleet was to be congratulated on "the auspicious manner" in which it had initiated its Pacific operations. A similar message was sent by Admiral Raymond A. Spruance, commander of the United States Fifth Fleet.

The British force struck the southern Ryukyus in the combined softening-up blows for the Okinawa

Dempsey Takes Part In Okinawa Invasion

Guam, April 2 (AP)-Jack Des sey took part in the American invasion of Okinawa. The former heavyweight champion was aboard Coast Guard-manned assault transports.

Pacific tour on which he was observing the effects of his physicaltraining program on men who undergo the physical and mental strain of enemy beachheads.

Okinawa Natives Docile And Hungry

With the U.S. Marine 3d Amphibius Corps on Okinawa, April 2 (P)—Military leaders planning the Okinawa invasion were prepared to find plenty of trouble with the natives but were agreeably surprised.

Okinawa, April 2 [AP-Via Nav] The natives, they found, are not

today, some constant was se that a can of Arabons with the today, some coursely in American hands.

The flyer started to get out of of Washington, D.C., said more

ed up so far and there was not mean one in the lot. They have been under Japanese domination a long time and they are undernourished and beaten down. Many are ill with various diseases in which Okinawa abounds.

Naturally no long-range program has been instituted after two days of invasion but refugee centers have been established and the Marines are doing the best they can for the unfortunate people. They are being fed emergency rations and sneak back into the line for second helpings of the chow.

The natives, or "Okies" as they are called by the Marines, fled to the hills before the invasion started and today many started coming in voluntarily. They had been advised to leave the cities and airfield areas by 3,500,000 pamphlets dropped by American planes before the inva-

Okinawa News

Sent From B-29
Aboard a Superfort Returning from Okinawa, April 2 (A)—This plane which circled for two hours at Okinawa marked another chap-

While five over the largest task forces ever gathered for a landing Kno mitted by short-wave radio direct Okinawa. to San Francisco-approximately 8,500 miles. Success of the experiment probably will result in similar war news coverage in the future.

Marines Captured Freed. Fight Japs Together

At a Command Post Near Yonton Airfield, Okinawa, April 2 (AP)-You hear some strange tales from the Marines. Up at this command post near Yontan airfield, Lieut. Col. Jack Hawkins, of Roxton, Texas, said matter of factly, dur-

ing the course of a conversation:
"Mayby you would be interested to know that I was in the old 4th Marine Regiment in the Philippines and was captured at Corregidor. Two years ago, in April, 1943, I escaped with ten others, including Lieut. Col. Austin C. Shofner, whose home is at Shebly-Tenn.—and after eleven months of imprisonment we fought still fighting Japs.'

ply, but where is Colonel Shofner? of the Keramas, said that there across that little road," he said, which he called a "secret wea-"he is the divisional provost mar-pon" and which the Japanese shal of our division.'

Carrier's Exploits

With Vice Admiral Marc A. erew of ten was required to serv-Mitscher's Carrier Force in the lee it, build ramps and dig caves Ryukyu Islands, April 2 (P)—Here's for hiding the small craft. what American carrier forces did invasion of Okinawa possible:

ties against Japanese positions in

warcraft caught in the Inland Sea. Destroyed 625 planes which could aged 632 more.

Airfields Targets

Bombed airfields, hangars, factories on Kyushu Island, whence aerial opposition in the Ryukyus would probably come.

Destroyed or damaged 200 ships over invasion convoys and beaches of all kinds, principally coastal craft used to move men and sup-

Knocked out airfields and other operation in the Pacific at dawn of installations on adjoining islands. D-plus One, a radio news broad- Poured thousands of tons of cast and news story were trans- bombs on defenses of all kinds on

JUU SUICIDE BOATS SEIZED AT KERAMA machine guns, rifles and grenades.

Aboard Amphibious Force artillery unit. Flagship, Approaching Okinawa, Observers reported seeing numthan 300 suicide boats-Japan's Islands and Okinawa, are deep, flagship by a member of Gen. containing cremated remains. Buckner's staff, Col. Louis B. Ely of Philadelphia.

Col. Ely, who accompanied the of bamboo, on the Katena airfield, Seventy-seventh Division as an observer, said that thirty-two the Japs with the guerrillas. Now Japanese suicide boats first were I am back in the Marines again discovered in one Kerama inlet. He said that a Japanese civilian That is a fine story, was the re- on Zamam' Island, northernmost "Oh, he's sitting over there were hundreds of those boats were warned not to let fall into American hands.

The Japanese frantically tried to destroy the suicide boats.

wnich are twenty-foot vessels designed to carry a heavy demolition charge, intended for ramming. Each boat was to be handled by only one man, but a

Almost all Japanese troops on in the last two weeks to make the the Keramas were concerned with the suicide boats. Bryce Walton, Carried out more than 8,000 sor. of Hollywood, Cal., a Coast Guard specialist, reported that five the Ricky and southern Japan.

Cripple endining units of the Japanese fleet, damaging twenty

Army officers were killed and three others injured when they touched a suicide boat which had been rigged with a booby trap.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 2-(AP) Japan today officially claimed Americans were meeting "furious" resistance on Okinawa while Tokyo radio warned the homefolk their fate-determining hour was near and that the government was taking over all hospitals and mobilizing doctors.

The Imperial communique, re-corded with other or adcasts by the Federal Communications com-mission, said the Okinawa garri-son was engaged in "furious fight-

have been used to oppose the invasion; probably destroyed or dam- 11 Women, 5 Men In Jap Uniforms Attack Yanks

Okinawa, April 2 [AP—Via Navy Radio]-A group of eleven women and five men, dressed in Japanese soldier uniforms, last night attacked an American fieldartillery units
The fanatical attack failed and

some of the women committed suicide. Three of the women were wounded, dying later.

Unusual Tombs Seen

The rest of the women and all of

They inflicted no damage on the

March 31 (Delayed) (A. P.) - erous tombs in this sector, none of Invasion of the Kerama Islands which had been utilized for deoff C'tinawa's southwestern coast fense. These unusual burial places, brought the capture of more common throughout the Kerama secret weapon. This was the re-port brought to Lieut-Con St faced with a curious, inverted port brought to Lieut.-Gen. Si- horseshoe shaped plaster or mon B. Buckner Jr., commander cement decorative facade, and has of the Tenth Arty, aboard Vice-a small rectangular opening at the Admiral Romand K. Turner's bottom. Inside are earthern urns

> Officers reported discovery of en dummy Japanese planes, made

ing" with reinforced Américan

Claim 41 Ships Sunk

It claimed 41 ships of the American amphibious force had been sunk.

Adm. Isamu Takeshita, president of the Japanese retired naval officers' club, was quoted by Tokyo radio as saying Okinawa Japanese would inflict "irretrievable losses" on the invaders. "The Americans are learning a great lesson now," he declared. "They are beginning to realize that Japan cannot be defeated."

All American official announcements and correspondents' field dispatches said resistance was light through Easter Sunday-the first day of the invasion. There was no mention of American losses.

Tokyo radio, in warning that it would be a "matter of a short time before the rise or fall of our nation will be decided," said the Okinawa invasion went "one step" beyond the aims of previous American Pacific moves-"severance of connections between Japan and China."

"Thus," the broadcast added, "this move bears a seriousness that has not been seen previously."

Yanks Land on Kume

An unconfirmed Tokyo report said Americans Sunday night landed on Kume island, 52 miles west of Okinawa.

The broadcast reporting the government was taking over hospitals and clinics and preparing to mobilize doctors and "other medical experts" said the action was decided upon at a special meeting of Premier Kuniaki Koiso's cabinet.

A Domei news agency dispatch reported the death "in action" of Vice Adm. Noritada Ishi and 13 rear admirals. This brought the total of announced deaths of Jap-

Tokyo radio announced that Formosans, granted representations in the Makajima - Mushashino aircraft rescript issued the previous day by Plant. Emperor Hirohito, also would be given a voice in their home affairs. They have been granted representation on the advisory council to the Japanese governor general of Formosa.

were lost to enemy action.) Reports from Guam said 200 or passes in Europe. more planes participated in the

One Japanese broadcast, record-

Japs Showing Alarm At Okinawa Landings

Japanese radio took a grave view twenty minutes to five hours later. of the invasion of Okinawa in a This is the first report that Superbroadcast intended for home con- forts were using delayed-action sumption today and predicted it bombs against Japan. would be a "matter of a short time Domei reported six B-29's raided before the rise or fall of our nation the Inland Sea last night and early will be decided."

The broadcast, recorded here, summarized the "steady progress' of American forces since the seizure of Guadalcanal, declaring these preliminary moves always had landof American forces since the seizings on the Japanese mainland their final objective their final objective.

"However," the report said, "at this time the enemy's advance goes one step further in that he aims at severance of connections between Japan and China, and this move he hopes to use as another step in a direct landing operation on the mainland. Thus, this move bears a seriousness that has not been seen previously."

U.S. Troops Reinforced

An Imperial Japanese communiqué admitted today that United States forces on Okinawa have been reinforced but claimed contrary to Allied reports, that "furious fighting is raging" there.

An enemy claim that 41 ships of the supporting fleet had been sunk or damaged likewise was uncon-

Included were four cruisers one transport, three ships of unidentified category and sixteen "landing transports" sunk, two carriers, one battleship, one oil tanker or carrier, one cruiser, two destroyers, five transports and two ships of unidentified category damaged. "Heavy Fighting"

American invasion forces were intercepted by the Japanese garrison, with heavy fighting resulting, the Domei news agency broadcast

Another Domei broadcast made the unconfirmed claim that fifteen B-29's were shot down in today's pre-dawn raid on Tokyo and the remainder of an estimated force of "about 60" Superforts in the raid were damaged.

[At Washington 20th Air Force headquarters reported two B-29's

San Francisco, April 2 (P)-The ed by FCC, said the B-29 s grouped "time bombs" which exploded

this morning.

Russians Smash Within Two Miles of Slovakian Capital.

DRIVE TOWARD VIENNA

Soviet Tank Columns Push Into Outskirts of Wiener Neustadt.

LONDON, Tuesday, April 3. -(AP) Russian assault forces, rip-

Moscow clamped a news black- to Vienna from the east. out on stiffening fighting south of Vienna, but enemy broadcasts said were 28 miles east of Vienna, but Soviet storm units had battled London observers believed a hard within 20 miles of the Austrian battle lay ahead. Bratislava, stracapital and had thrust 32 miles in- tegically located at the base of

Vienna Under Siege aircraft Nazis ordered a last-ditch defense have fled. of Vienna under Gen. Sepp Dietcribed the capital as the "bulwark

> Meanwhile, the last big Hungarleft only some 750 square miles of great Messerschmitt plane assem-Hungarian territory unconquered, bly center 22 miles south of Vienna. More than 10,000 prisoners were The river flows within a halftaken in the area for a two-day mile of the city and some of its bag of 36,000 Moscow announced. great industries extend to the

> Y. Malinovsky's Second Ukrainian that the Russians had been halted army plunged unchecked across on the east bank opposite the shellsouthern Slovakia on a 72-mile raked fortress. Moscow dispatches front extending from the north reported fighting for Neudoerfl, bank of the Danube river to captured Topolchany, in the Nitra river valley 57 miles northeast of Bratislava.

> Behind a curtain of fire from self-propelled guns which brought southern slopes of the Leitha mounthe city of 124,000 persons within tains at a point 20 miles south of range, Malinovsky's troops blasted to within two and a half miles east of Bratislava by capturing Bischdorf (Biskupice) in an 11-mile ad-

which hurdled the little Danube of one of the last few sources of river at points east of Bratislava fuel for the Nazi war machine. Toland crossed on to great Schutt island, between the Danube and its beyond the city to take Eszteretributary. Other units swept south genye and 40 other places in their across the 11-mile-wide island and. in gains of 14 miles in 24 hours.

Enemy Forces Periled

This sweep threatened to trap enemy forces holding out in a Mura rivers. pocket in the center of the 52-mila long island, although they had a 12- five miles of the major railroad Russian tanks, flanking Vienna on mile escape route across the Dan- crossing town of Murakesztur on the south, have speared 30 miles ube, on the south bank on which the direct line from Nagykanizsa into Austria to the Semmering

ping up to 14 miles through enemy Danube, which joins the Danube Fiume. fortifications, smashed within two just east of Bratislava, other forces miles of Bratislava, capital of the gained nine miles and won Vajpuppet Axis state of Slovakia, yesterda while teritary in the outskirts of Vienna's southern bastion of Wiennory station, four miles northeast pathians which, with the Morava of the city had declared the Ausriver beyond, guard the approaches trian capital a defense area to be

side Austria to Semmering pass, the 2474-foot Carpathians in the

may be a tough nut to crack, but said. the puppet government of Premier Amid reports of rioting, the Dr. Stephan Tiso was reported to

South and southeast of Vienna, rich, commander of Hitler's 85 Moscow's communique announced bodyguard. The city was under a only that Red army forces were state of siege and Dietrich des- "continuing offensive engagemente" on both sides of the Neusiedler of southeastern Germany's potential See (lake), on the west shore of mountain hide-out for Nazi leadwhich they last were reported 22 miles from Vienna.

Nazi high command announceian city in enemy hands fell when ments said, however, that troops of Marshal Feodor I. Tolbukhin's Marshal Tolbukhin's Third Ukrain-Third Ukrainian army took the oil ian group had battled to the Leitha industry center of Nagykanizsa and river southeast of Wiener Neustadt,

East of Vienna, Marshal Rodion river bank. Berlin claimed however two miles east of Wiener Neustadt. Near Leitha Mountains

> Thirteen miles to the east, the Germans also reported that Tolbukhin's storm units had fought to the Vienna. Dispatches described the range protecting Vienna on

south as highly-fortified. In southern Hungary, Nagykan zsa's fall, announced by Premier Bischdorf was seized by forces Stalin, gave the Russians control bukhin's troops swept five miles

mopping-up of Hungary. Eleven miles southwest of Nagyreached the north bank of the Dan- kanizsa, the Russians drove seven ube at Gutor and Samoryn, eight miles along the Drava river border and 11 miles southeast of Bratis- of Yugoslavia, won a railroad crossing to Koprivnica and Zagreb and pushed on to take Szentmihaly at the confluence of the Drava and

The advance carried them within London, April 2 (P)-Masses of other troops on Malinovsky's army were battering toward the Bratis-lava gap.

to Maribor in northern Yugoslavia. Pass, 43 miles southwest of the northeast of the puppet Croat capi-On the north bank of the little tal of Zagreb and 136 miles north-reported tonight. east of Italy's Adriatic port of Moscow dispatches said Marshal

State of Siege in Vienna

"defended with every means." Ru-

one or five great trans-Alpine narrow valley north of the Danube Clared an open city were false, he Pass in the Austrian Alps carried seizing more than 100 towns and

In reaching the Semmering Vienna-Graz railroad. The pass is Pass in a twelve-mile over-night about 126 miles from the Italian gain, Russian troops were in the border. Alps for the first time since the Napoleonic wars.

the Russians were fighting 20 miles The reported flanking move from Vienna and were reported to

south of Vienna to the pass indicated Tolbukhin's troops may have severed the railroad linking the war arsenals of Austria and Czechoslovakia with Trieste and In reaching Semmering Pass, Venice in Italy. The railroad runs Marshal Tolbukhin put Russians through the Mur River valley. Berlin said masses of Soviet tanks and infantry were halted in the 5,000-foot pass carrying the river and its parallel rail line.

The Nazi D. N. B. news agency the Neuseidler See and Wiener said the Russians had opened fresh attacks on the Moravian Gap tha Mountains farther north. Neustadt, and pushed into the Lieleading from Silesia into Moravia and Bohemia and had reached the Oder River at one point west of Wodzislaw and north of Moravska shal Rodion Y. Malinovsky's 2d Ostrava, the key to the gap.

The Germans also said Marshal the Karpaty Mountains, west of Ivan S. Konev's 1st Ukrainian Trnava and within 12 miles of the Army had advanced along the Mo- capital. ravian border area in the area of Another Russian column fought Troppau (Opava), sixteen miles for the railway junction of Lannorthwest of Moravska Ostrava, to schutz, only 81/2 miles east of within artillery range of Jaegern-Bratislava and 5 miles west of dorf. That border town was said Szenc. to be burning after being raked with a heavy Soviet barrage.

Reds Drive 30 Miles Into

Feodor Tolbukhin's 3d Ukrainian Army has fought to Neudorfl, 3 miles east of the Messerschmitt plane assembly center of Wiener Neustadt, 24 miles south of Vienna. and other reports said the Russians had fought into Wiener Neustadt

Oil Center Captured

Marshal Stalin announced cap-At Bischdorf, Malinovsky's troops mors that Vienna would be dewere 28 miles east of Vienna, but
London observers believed a hard

defended with every fileshs.

ture of the oil production center of Nagykanizska, 10 miles from the Yugoslav border and 65 miles northeast of Zagreb, captial of the Nazi puppet state of Croatia.

The penetration to Semmering

the Russians across the main villages.

The German radio, meanwhile. said that 450,000 Russian troops had opened an all-out assault against Stettin, Baltic anchor of Berlin's defenses along the Oder River. Berlin said 3d White Russian Army divisions had taken up positions opposite Berlin after marching from East Prussia.]

LONDON, Tuesday, April 3pounded gap fortifications from the (AP) RAF Mosquitos attacked Berlin and Magdeburg during the night, the British announced today, ending Germany's two-day and two-night respite from an Allied aerial offensive that broke all records in March.

The overnight raids were carried out despit the mather, the RAF bomber command sid Ukrainian Army were moving down

Principal target at Magdeburg. which is situated about 70 miles southwest of Berlin, were oil installations feeding the tottering German war machine.

Figures officially announced today showed that Allied planes operating from Britain and bases behind the Western front smothered' More than 32,150 Nazi prisoners Germany with 179,380 tons of exsurrendered in the last 24 hours as plosives last month, nearly two and Tolbukhin advanced 15 miles yes- one half times the bomb weight the Tanks of Malinovsky's divisions Nazis have hurled on England by Tanks of Malinovsky's divisions plane and V-bomb since the war driving westward on the south started. The figures did not include side of the Danube, shoulder to tens of thousands of additional shoulder with Tollsukhin, wedged tons poured on Germany by Italyfar behind the Germans, disor- based planes, which also had a recganizing resistance and ranging ord month.

Constriction of the target area,

Glogua Captured

very close to Bratislava itself.

Northeast of Wiener Neustadt,

have battered to the outskirts of

Bratislava on the north bank of the

In Austrian Alps

troops in the Alps for the first time

Spearheads of Tolbukhin's forces

south between captured Sopron on

Advancing In Mountains

East of Bratislava troops of Mar-

since the Napoleonic Wars.

Danube, 30 miles east of Vienna.

Premier Stalin announced in one of three orders of the day yesterday that the long-encircled Oder River citadel of Glogau, 53 miles northwest of Breslau, had fallen with a toll of 8,000 German prisoners after a seven-week siege.

The 3d Ukrainian Army, on the west shore of the Neuseidler See, threatened to cut off the enemy defenders of the Bratislava Gap from the rear. Rust, 19 miles east of Wiener Neustadt, was captured in that drive. Five miles west of Rust, Trauersdorf was captured in the closest approach to Vienna.

60 Places Taken

Other Tolbukhin troops north of the Yugoslav border in southern Hungary advanced on a 26-mile front between Lake Balaton and the Drava River, capturing at least 60 towns and villages.

Malinovsky's troops on the north bank of the Danube advanced along a 70-mile front toward Bratislava.

however, as Allied armies rampage within Germany, has just about numbered the days of strategle bombing by American Eighth air force Flying Fortresses and Liberators and the RAF's heavyweights. The weather also has turned bad, making flying conditions hazardous.

The German radio warned during the afternoon of bomber formations over Denmark, but there were no official confirmations from the Eighth Air force or the RAF. Fifteenth Air force heavy bombers struck from Italy today at the southwestern approaches to Vienna to help clear the path for Russian troops fighting their way toward the Austrian capital. Medium bombers hammered at the Brenner pass and other tactical planes attacked targets in Yugoslavia and Austria.

New-Type V-Bomb V-Bomb Terror

London, April 2 (A)-As Britain marked the longest lull in the nine months of German V-bomb attacks with fervent prayers that the end of the vengeance warfare was near, measures were authoritatively reported under way today for defense against a possible new revenge as-

Striped of it ponessential equipment and can be sonly enough fuel for a one-way flight. It is kers 88 bombers could carry several tons trolled flying bombs.

the Germans were evacuating rocket sites in Holland. But Londoners hopefully turned the Easter Monday holiday into a celebration of what many believed was the beginning of the end of the Nazis' ruthless Vergeltungswaffen.

was more than mere coincidence London off the map. that not a sinble V-bomb had fallen on Britain since the start of the Easter holidays Friday.

Late reports from supreme headquarters reflected the belief that Friday and dawn Saturday was the many German V-weapon crews first raidless 24 hours since Februwere making a dash to get out of ary 26. northern Holland before it is sealed off by Field Marshal Sir Bernard L. Montgomery.

Danger Lessens Hourly

lessening hourly, and that the ad- value. vancing Canadians had found evidence that the Nazis were abandoning their robot and rocket bomb sites in western Holland. Some constructed flying-bomb bases in Holland have been overrun The plans for the allout assault by the Canadians.

The London Evening News declared there were reasons to believe that the supply of rockets and flying bombs at Dutch launching points had been exhausted. The constant bombing of supply routes, this bombs at the rate of 2,000 a week account pointed out, made it im- the day the Allies landed, accordpossible for holdout sites to be re- ing to one London account. Batter plenished.

No Transport Found

few Spitfires had combed the were able to use them. rocket-firing areas late today and port on the highways.

There remained-besides the dynamite-loaded plane device-one other possibility that southern England would feel the sting of German vengeance weapons again. This was in the launching of robot bombs from planes which might sneak out of Germany by night.

Over, British

London. April 2 (A)-Hope that sault—a final desperate Blitz with Great Britain's long months of dynamite-packed obsolete bombers. V-bomb terror raids have ended sprang up in London today.

An official announcement said that not a single vengeance weapon of high explosive, as remote con- had landed anywhere in England since last Thursday night and addi-The British public was warned to take a cautious view of reports that Holland, local the V-bomb launching sites.

It was considered too early for an official declaration that Britons will no longer experience the tremendous explosions of rockets and flying bombs with which the German The more optimistic believed it high command had planned to wipe

Little Military Value

But it was considered significant that in the period between dawn

For more than nine hours London and southern England communities have been subjected to a V-weapon bombardment more

A field dispatch from the Cana- terrorizing than the Blitz. It cost dian 1st Army front said that the thousands of lives and millions of V-1 and V-2 danger to Brussels, dollars in property damage but Antwerp and southern England was gained the Nazis little of military

Captured documents and investigation of many of the captured launching sites has disclosed that Hitler visualized hurling 10,000 V-bombs at London every 24 hours. were reported 80 per cent completed when the Allies stormed the Normandy beaches last June.

Nazi Plan Fails

One French factory alone was going into production of flying ies of projectors for eight-inch quick-firing rockets were found in-One report from British 2d Tac-tical Air Force headquarters said a Calais, but the Germans never

The Germans planned that Lonfound virtually no German trans, don should be wiped off the map by last fall.

Lublin Poles Lst. Special Treason (

London, April 2 (A)—The sponsored Polish Provision ernment has set up six

the Tass agency, Moscow said the barred. defendants would include "active traitor. to together with the Fascist header ook part in the annihilation and persecution of Polish citizens and those who disregarded national honor and voluntarily expressed a desire to become German subjects."

All trials of persons charged with high treason are being held publicly, the broadcast said.

Moscow reported one death sentence at Siedlee for a Pole who had betrayed a Patriot to the Gestapo; another death sentence at Lodz for

similar sentence for a Pole who participated in sending Polish citizens to the German death camp at Oswiecim.

for numerous members of the socalled "blue police" which served lin. The size of the rewards inthe Gestapo and are accused of dicated that the victims were prominent, the honey were not joining in killing Polish Patriots.

The dispatch said officials of the named. Ministry of Justice are investigating participants in the destruction of the crime were wearing some of Warsaw,

including the German gov e mor of Warsaw, Gustam Fischer, and the Mil. ry commandant of Warsaw M. on March 31 on a motor road Lt. Gen. Stahl.



GERMANS POST REWARD SEIZING KILLERS

LONDON, April 2-(AP) The German-radio said tonight an intense manhunt was on for the killers of three unnamed but apparently prominent persons who were shot to death in one of Berlin's most fashionable and closely guarded suburbs.

The Nazi broadcast said a reward of 100,000 marks (\$10,000 at the U million exchange rate)

was offered for aid in capturing feet and is about to hills south of the killers, who may have been wearing "some sort of uniform,"

The radio said the slayings of curred about 3 p. m., March 31 on ov a motor road near the Gruenewald ecial a section in which propaganda courts to try persons accused of Minister Paul Joseph Goebbels and treason and assistance to the Ger- other high Nazis have homes. The man invaders, the Moscow radio area is served by the Anvus mator road whose entrances are guarded Quoting a Warsaw dispatch of and from which pedestrians are

> The announcement said the killers stopped a six-seated limousine with a trailer, traveling in the direction of Berlin, and killed the driver and two passengers.

GERMAN REWARD REVEALS SLAYINGS

London, April 2 (A. P.).-The German radio broadcast a bulletin tonight offering a reward of 100,000 marks (\$10,000 at the United States Military Exchange rate) for aid in capturing Trials are being held at present the killers of two passengers and the driver of a car in outer Ber-

"It is possible the perpetrators sort of uniform," the urgent police announcement said. "Even the smallest bit of information may be important."

The announcement said that ie sings occurred about 3 P. mear Gruenewald, a suburban station in southwestern Berlin.

A six-seated limousine with a trailer, traveling in the direction of Berlin, was stopped by unknown persons and the driver and two passengers shot," the broadcast said. "A reward of 100,000 Reichsmarks will be paid any one giving information leading to the arrest of the mur-

North Italy Drive

London, April 2 (A)-The German communiqué said today that fighting had broken out on the "forgotten front" in the France-Italy border region and Allied troops had gained a "small foothold" on Petit St. Bernard, just south of Mont Petit St. Bernard rhe to 7,064

the Swiss border.

Report Unconfirmed

There was no Allied confirmaion, but reports from the front two weeks ago said forces commanded by Brig, Gen. Ralph C. Tobin were fighting a holding action in the mountains. Troops on the enemy side were reported to be Italians principally.

An attack in force in the area would threaten the rear of Germans holding the Po Valley in Italy.

RIOTING REPORTED IN PERILED VIENNA

Hitler Sends Bodyguard to Squash Uprisings, Mobilize Capital.

LONDON, April 2 - (AP) Adolf Hitler has sent the iron-handed chief of his personal bodyguard, to continue the necessary farm Gen. Sepp Dietrich to Vienna to work. Use to the full the evacumobilize the capital ees from the danger areas. They against the Russian per lin need your help; you need theirs. radio revealed tonight as European "2. Refuse, at all cost, to leave capital reports told of violent anti-Nazi rioting in the imperiled city.

Dietrich was sent to Vienna, presumably to squash the reported demonstrations, after the Nazi-appointed mayor of the Danube city announced "enemy agents" were spreading rumors that Vienna would be declared an open city.

At the same time the Brussels trict where you live. radio said Allied leaders had been "4. Resist, if necessary by informed that free Austrian units force, the slaughter of cattle, pigs forces behind German lines,

ported only 20 miles south, Dietrich went to the Vienna microphone and told the Viennese that "it is deeds that count now, not words."

Dietrich said his men were joining the defenders of "this beautiful old and beloved city with the firm and inflexible resolve to do something in their power to preserve this bulwark of southeastern Germany for our fatherland."

The Moscow radio said rioting had extended from Vienna to towns throughout Carinthia. Stvria and southern Austria, Moscow said Austrian patriots had executed the Gestapo chief, Arthur Mandl, in Graz and were hunting down Heinrich Himmler's agents in other cities.

APR 31945 AYS AYS **GERMANS MUST ACT**

London, April 2 (A. P.). - A message from Gen. Eisenhower broadcast tonight to Germany said that the Reich must depend upon its own food resources this year an dealled upon conscripts to escape and return to farms. The text of the message:

"The instructions which follow are of vital importance not only to you, but to the whole German people. To obey them strictly is your only hope of averting the famine which threatens Germany. If you disobey them, nothing which either you or the Allies can do will prevent a catastrophe in Germany this year.

"1. Do everything in your power, whatever the difficulties, ees from the danger areas. They

"2. Refuse, at all cost, to leave your farm work for service in the Volkssturm. If you have been conscripted already, escape at once and return to work on the

"3. Resist, if necessary by ferce, attempts by the party to remove food stocks from the dis-

"4. Resist, if necessary by now were operating as military and poultry. Preserve your livestock intact.

As Vienna's positions deteriors t- "Remember! For years Ger-ed hourly with Red army forces re- many has relied on plundered food from the occupied territories. Relying on this plundered food, she has mobilized her land workers for the Army and failed to feed herself. This year Germany must depend on her own food resources."

Baruch Sees King George, Confers With Churchill

LONDON, April 2-Bernard M. Baruch, here on a mission for President Roosevelt, had a long audience with King George in the presence of Prime Minister Churchill during the week-end. Mr. Baruch first conferred with

Pa stood, concerns plans for the occupation of Germany. The German radio broadcast a threat by the "Werewolves" against him during the week-end, saying he would be killed if he set foot on

Another Big 3 Meeting Seen

London, Tuesday, April 3 (The London Daily Mail in a front page article today said there were indications that a new meeting of Roosevelt, Churchill and Stalin might replace, or at least overshadow, the San Francisco conference.

The Mail's diplomatic corre spondent said that if the European war ends it the next fortnight—the conference is scheduled to open April 25—there night have to be immediate constitutions. He added that once fighting coned a Big Three conference might be necessionally the conference of the sary for immediate decisions and peace conference plans.

Meanwhile, reports circulated in London that Deputy Prime Minister Clement Attlee and Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden might cut short their projected trip to San Francisco, and some of the London press called for a postponement of the meeting.

MURDERS BLAMED

British See Nazi Ruse To Avoid Link In Mayors' Deaths

London, April 2 (AP)-The Nazis officially claimed today that the assassins of the mayors of occupied Aachen and Meschede were members of the "werewolf" underground terrorist organization. which Berlin said is organized to resist Allied occupation forces.

A radio describing itself as an underground werewolf station took the air with claims that werewolves already had murdered some American Army officers, including three ank and had been active the fire and Heidelberg. A DNB broadcast quoting offi-

cial Berlin circles said "the first appearance of the werewolf was made to guard national honor by executing death sentences on the buergermeisters of Aachen and Meschede."

"Spontaneous Development"

[The German radio said last week Aachen's Mayor was sentenced to death by a "German honor tribunal."]

DNB's official report said the werewolf developed spontaneously when "courageous men and National Socialists could not bear to look on any longer while soldier nordes of the western powers terrorized the civil population and Allied bombers hit residential

"Werewolves will not give in to enemy terror, but prefer to settle accounts eye for eye," the report

An Allied reply was broadcast over the Luxembourg radio. The statement said, "Our answer to the Werewolves is very simple. Anyone who follows such instructions will be captured, tried, judged and

The Moscow radio commented: "The wolf hunt is on—good hunt

Berlin officially disclaimed connection with the organization, saying "official and party circles in Berlin had nothing to do with its organization." and that it "possesses its own authority.

But Nazi propaganda made it plain that the group was the chosen medium for the Heinrich Himmler enunciated "knife in the dark" scheme to fight occupation forces and murder officials who join Allied-controlled administrations.

British observers saw a Nazi trick in the claim that the organization was not directed by state and party authorities.

Firstly, the claim was believed designed to protect the party and SS officials in occupied areas against precautionary or reprisal measures.

Baruch Threatened

Secondly, it would leave werewolves free to continue their campaign of murder in event of official German capitulation.

The werewolf radio threatened assassination of Bernard Baruch if he comes to Germany

'If Jew Baruch comes to Ger-

day a werewolf will get him." Propagandist Dr. Otto Krie the German radio exhorted Ger ly, while the Yorkshire Post-with mans to resist through the military which Foreign Secretary Anthony as long as possible "to aggravate and capitalize on the Allies" political difficulties." After defeats, he ly surprising." demanded that the Germans fight The Post, citing a possibility of

through the werewolf. Wolf Trap Is Sign

dio said "even if Germany is defeated we will get the satisfaction leaders scheduled to attend the of causing havoc among occupation conference "would impose consid authorities and chaos in the heart of Europe.

the struggle of Germany—act comrades," the radio said. "The wolf On How to Handle Hitler trap is your sign. Scribble it on every tank truck and gun of the Tying Him to a Rocket Bomb hated enemy. Paint it on every wall or ruin of house left stand-

"We have acted already. In Hei- London Evening Standard" samdelberg acts of terror were com-

mitted against Americans and the pled public opinion on the queswerewolf-escaped unnoticed. In Frankfurt Americans had turned machine guns against the population. Next morning three high ranking American officers had disappeared. . . ."

London, April 2 (A. P.).-A and aim it at Germany. German broadcast said today the Bind him to a donkey facing the werewolf organization, which the tail, and promenade the pair Nazis have announced as an in-through regions where atrocities strumentality of resistance to the have been committed by his order. Allies in occupied parts of the . . . Send him to Coventry. . . . Reich would assassinate Bernard Put him on Devil's Island for life M. Baruch if President Roose- at hard labor, wearing Nazi fullvelt's personal representative dress uniform and Iron Cross. . . . came to Germany from London. Make him stand at salute in

their own shouted:

"If the Jew Baruch comes to One Londoner wrote: "My house He instigated the first world war Double Summer Time Set and now is continuing his crimes. One day the werewolf will get France Follows British Schedule,

Formation of the underground movement was announced last radio countered today: "The wolf double summer time today, hunt is on good hunting."

many we'll hunt him down as at ish press hinted today of the posinsult to the German land," the sible postponement of the World radio's spokesman shouted. "He in Security Conference in San Franstigated the first World War and cisco scheduled to open April 25.

The London Daily Sketch suggested the postponement editorial-

the European war's ending before the talks start, declared the ab The terrorists' underground ra- sence from Britain of Eden and ture in the nation's history.

"Now we have our hands free for British Have Many Ideas

Is Among the Lenient Ones LONDON April 2 (AP).-"The

tion, "What told you do with Hitler if they sate hill alive?"

Among the hundreds of answers: Fasten him to a rocket bomb timed to explode in the air. . . Exhibit him and use the money BARUCH THREATENED raised to reduce the British income tax. . . Chain him near a siren. raised to reduce the British income

. . Put him astride a doodlebug

Allegedly broadcasting over every German village while loudradio, a speakers broadcast records of his fied as among the ships in action. werewolves speeches. . . . Hound him day and night, but don't kill him.

Germany we'll hunt him down as has not been painted since the war an insuit to the German land, began, Lend me Hitler for a week."

6 Hours Later Than N. Y.

PARIS, April 2 (A).-France and night by Berlin, and the Moscow the European war theater went on

> [In Great Britain also a double summer time was instituted during the week end. It is two hours "later" than regular British time or French time (they are identical) and is six hours "later" than New York war time. In Britain this arrangement is to last until July 15. During the winter the British were on a summer time five hours "later" than New York war time.]

Bombing In Italy Accompanies Activity By Warships

Rome, April 2 (AP)-United States launched at main German escape routes from northern Italy today Fifteen Allied planes were lost, as tactical planes hammered enemy communications and installations in the Po Valley.

Meanwhile, it was announced that Allied warships have been raking Nazi positions along the French-Italian frontier, including the harbor of San Remo.

The German high command communique said fighting had broken out on the "forgetten front" in the French I align by the region, and acknowledged Alied seizure of "a

small foothold on Petit (Little) St Bernard, a 7,064-foot mountain 15 miles south of the Swiss border.

Destroyer Laub In Action

southern slopes of Mount Valazzan The United States destroyer near the St. Bernard pass. Forces Laub was among the ships in accommanded by Brig. Gen. Ralph C. tion. he Po Valley in Italy.

Reports of renewed activity in the area were viewed as significant n light of the naval action off the fire fell all along the 5th Army in light of the naval action off the States destroyer Laub was identi-

Nazi Attack Repulsed

The lull in the ground fighting South of Bologna there were continued across the Italian front number of patrol skirmishes. except in the British 8th Army sec tor, where Germans attacked two Mrs. Churchill in Moscow caused Field Political cambritish positions along the Senio On Russian Relief Mission The accord, reported first on

In a mission in close support of he 8th Army forces, Spitfires and Kittyhawks bombed enemy-held houses north of the Valli di Comacchio lagoon.

Mitchell bombers American anged North Italy and Austria attacking Nazi escape lines.

Thunderbolts destroyed several enemy-occupied buildings and started fires in four Methane plants in northern Italy.

MARIBOR BRIDGE OUT

Rome, April 2 (A. P.).—The British funds. Fifteenth Air Force, attacking in fig to the Russian front, knocked and his wife; American Ambassa-Villach, Austria Righty-five miles to the west. The fall bridge near Ybbs, sixty miles west of Vienna, "This is one of the most inspiralso was damaged heavily by Lightnings and all through rail lines to Linz were reported cut.

Mustang pilots of the all-Negro Fighter Group destroyed twelve 2th Air Force medium bombers enemy planes while escorting bombers over southern Austria. including three heavy bombers. The top scorer was First Lieut. Harry T Steward Jr., 10-514 34th victories.

Ships Shell Germans

Rome, April -Allied war ships raked German positions along the French-Italian frontier, includ-A French communique had an ing the harbor of San Remo, as the

mountains for months. An offensive French cruiser Gloire and damage up 200, he continued. drive in this sector would threaten was inflicted on port facilities and he rear of German forces holding shore installations—including a ra- Spanish Plane System dio station.

Keep Flares Burning

front and the Germans kept the skies alight with flares on the right flank throughout the night, apparently fearful of action there.

Greeted by Diplomatic Corps, Will Dedicate 2 Hospitals

MOSCOW, April 2 (AP) .- Mrs. reached Moscow after an all-night flight from Cairo. She will visit Stalingrad and Rostov to dedicate two 500-bed hospitals equipped by service which would go into effect

A welcoming party at the air-Austria and Yugoslavia yester- port included Mrs. Viacheslav day to disrupt German rail traf- M. Molotov, the Vice-Commissar, the Maribor rail bridge out of dor W. Averell Harriman and his service temporarily. It is the only rail crossing of the Drava River retained by the Germans east of Clark Kerr, and officials of the

"This is one of the most inspiring and exciting moments of my life," Mrs. Churchill said.

Russian

Moscow, April 2 (A)-A Pravda commentator declared today that the speed of the Allied drive beyond the Rhine was not extraordinary because, he said, while avenue, Corona, Queens, who shot down three FW-190s for his first in three weeks, the 1st White Russian Army had gone 150 miles in attempts failed to disperse the a single week.

has been on the Eastern front since 1941, and "here it has been destroyed."

Discussing the American-British nounced Saturday that troops on long lull on the Italian land front advances, he wrote that to appraise this front had stormed and capcontinued. Allied headquarters antured a German strongpoint on the
nounced today.

southern slopes of Mount Valence.

The British and Americans were opposed by only 60 divisions when Tobin along this front have been A small en pressel was sunk fighting a holding action in the in the harber of San Remo by the Army at the same time was tying they invaded France, while the Red

Bought From I.T.& T.

Madrid, April 2 (A)-In the first communiqué announcing agree ment to purchase the Spanish telephone system from the International Telephone and Telegraph Company, the Foreign Ministry today said the accord eliminated a hostages from occupied lands and source of friction between the the remaining Jews if his "last United States and Spain which had

March 14, provides for Spanish purchase of majority stock in a company controlled by International Telephone.

The accord, the communiqué Winston Churchill arrived by said, gave "ample satisfaction" to plane today for a visit to hospitals Spanish desires "vehemently exand children's homes as head of her own white the first of Russia. The British Prime Minister's wife capital invested in the enterprise Karl Schnurre's visit to Stockgiving Spain the best telephone holm last month was connected service in Europe.

It added the agreement permitted nationalization of the immediately.

eign Minister Entezan, recently oners in Allied hands would have named head of Iran's delegation no effect on Hitler's decision to to the San Francisco world secu- liquidate Allied prisoners because rity conference, resigned from of- "no German man of honor will fice today and will not attend the wish to live any longer if Gerparley. Taghi Dadeh, Iranian many loses the war," the story Ambassador to London, also has said.

following "raids of hoodlums" union headquarters in Isfahan than a week longer. Dispatches said that Government demonstrators, who "demanded "What really astonishes us is that the creation of a Government the Allied armie, have met almost which would be able to lead a no real, existing Maj. Gen. Mikhail Galactianov wrote. The creation of a Government which would be able to lead a successful struggle against unemployment" and asked the resig-He said Germany's main strength nation of the Minister of the In-

Jan G. Masaryk, Foreign Minister of Czechoslovakia, arrived today at Tehran on his way from Moscow to San Francisco, where he will head the Czechoslovak

ANOTHER RUMOR FROM GERMAN

Stockholm, April 2 (A. P.) .-The Free German Press Agency said today without confirmation from any source and without giving authority for its statement that Adolf Hitler plans the mass murder of Allied prisoners of war, proposals for a humane peace" are rejected.

[The Stockholm Bureau of the Associated Press transmitted this dispatch "for information." It says it cannot vouch for the reliability of the Free erman Press Agency's reports.]

The agency said that it had with Hitler's peace soundings. Hitler's proposal, according to the story, calls for an immediate armistice with the western Allies, and continued war against Russia, followed by a "European peace conference" to which Russia would not be invited. Hitler also was PARLEY RESIGNS reepresented as willing to let the German people decide by a free election whether he should remain as leader of the Reich.

Teheran, April 2 (A. P.).-For Reprisals against German pris

declined to serve as a member of the delegation.

In another story attributed to a high officer in the German High Command the agency asserted Command the agency asserted At Moscow the Tass Agency German war leaders acknowledge reported demonstrations in Irar they no longer hold control over the situation and are convinced against Peoples party and trade the Germans cannot hold out more



Stockholm, April 2 (AP)-Three small vessels carrying fleeing Germans arrived in southern Swedish ports today as the stream of refugees from the Reich increased.

One boat carried seven German officers while the number of persons aboard the other two was not

Fifty are Germans, of which half were memors of the German Todt military-construction organization, reached Kalmar Sunday aboard a flat-bottomed river steamer from Gdynia.

The ship's captain was reported to have said he intended to sail to the Danish island of Bornholm but landed in Sweden because of a faulty compass. The boat was well stocked with food and some passengers looked like Nazi party functionaries, the Stockholm Expressen reported. All of the passengers will

Chungking, April 2 (A)-Japa-

nese troops fought into Laohokow

and Nanyang over the week end,

but were driven back with heavy

losses, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-

shek disclosed today in a special

order of the day commending

Chinese forces for their defense

of both key cities.

Laobo dw. in Hubeh province, and Nantang, in Honan province,

lie in an arc about 200 miles north-

Mend Breach In Lines

The Chinese said they had

mended a breach in their lines Sat-

urday at Laohokow, until recently

the site of an advanced base of the

The high command reported the

Chinese had recaptured Nanchang.

45 miles south Laohokow, and were

counterattacking 40 miles north of

there in the vicinity of Tenghsien.

The Chinese also reported flanking

attacks in progress at Siangyang

on the Han River, 30 miles south-

Eight hundred Japanese were

killed and Lieutenant General

Okua, commanding the Japanese

110th Division, was severely wound-

ed in fighting northwest and south-

west of Neisiang, on the Honan-

Shensi highway, the Chinese com-

Arms To Communists Barred

west of Hankow.

14th Air Force.

east of Laohokow

muniqué said.

From Laohokow And Nanyang

Washington. April 2 (A)—Ambassador Patrick J. Hurley today ruled out any possibility of Americal Black Widow night fighters have next six months for the best appearing in the Chine these Communists, whom he described ter of the war. as simply an armed political party.

The United States envoy to China NEW YORKERS HONORED was asked at a news conference whether he was aware of reports that the Communists had asked the United States to furnish weapons captured from the Japanese. It is with captured enemy equipment that the North China guerrillas usually fight.

Hurley said the view here is that the furnishing of arms to any armed political party would be tantamount to the recognition of another belligerent by the United States. This country recognizes and supports the National Government of China.

Hurley said the objective of the United States in China is to unify the armed forces for the war against Japan.

Chiang Praises

TroopsHolding

Two Key Cities

Japanese Driven Out of

New York city. Lieut. Stephen Pappas, 108-39 Chinese Troops Expel Japs

Sian Southeast Asia Command

communique said destroyers of the East Indies Fleet, in co-operation with Royal Air Force planes, sank a Japanese convoy totaling four ships in recent offensive sweeps in the Andaman Sea. In addition, northern Sumatra, and Port Blain

Laohokow and Nanyang; British Mop Up in Burma the Angaman Sea. In addition, the destroyers bombarded Sigli, in

CHUNGKING, April 2 (AP) .-Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek issued a special order of the day today commending Chinese forces for their turn defense of Lao-hokow and Nanyang, two pivotal cities, one in Hupeh and the other in Hopeh Province, which he said still were in Chinese hands.

The Chinese high command acknowledged that during the week end Japanese troops had broken into both cities, which are about 200 miles from Hankow, but said the enemy was driven out with heavy losses. Laohokow was vanced base of the United States 14th Air Force.

iack Widows Over China YUNGKING, April 1 (AP) .-

can delivery of arms to the Chinese been operating in the China thea- next six months for the best

Headquarters, Twentieth Bomber Command, India, April 2 (A. P.).—Major Robert E. Moss, of 1530 Charlotte street, the Bronx, has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for outstanding and meritorious achievement while partipating in Superfortress of trational and combat flights from bases in India and western China. The following were awarded bronze oak leaf clusters to the Air Medal:

Lieut. Roderic T. Wriston, Oak Lane, Scarsdale, N. Y.; Staff Sergt, Joseph T. Yagos, Pough keepsie, and Sergt. Humphrey O'Leary, 700 West 146th street,

64th Road, Forest Hills, Queens, was awarded the Air Medal.

British Mon Up in Burma Pocket CALCUTTA, April 2 (P) British armored units roved at will in the Irrawaddy pocket today, destroying isolated groups of fanatical troops, while planes of the Eastern Air Command tracked down enemy forces attempting to

in the southern Andaman Islands.

Editors in Chungking

Free Press Committee Members Greeted by Chiang Kai-shek CHUNGKING, April 2 (AP).-The

touring three-man committee of the American Society of Newspaper Editors, seeking free access to news after the war, was received sula with this new column.

today by Geografissimo Chiang

Enemy Attacks Repulse Kai-shek.

Constitution," and Carl W. Acker- pines Summer capital. man, dean of the Columbia Uni- Aircraft swept the east coast of Chinese National Press Association, ted near Infanta.

feature story contributed to his newspaper. He called this the "Clark Howell Award."

New Landing In Philippines Made With Light Loss

Manila, Tuesday, April 3 (P)-Sixth Army veterans, with Brig. Gen. Hanford MacNider's 158th Regimental Combat Team as the spearhead, invaded the harbor of of Luzon Sunday and quickly se-cured Leta b, cit of 75,000 inhab. Soldiers of itants, and the near-by airfields.

east coast, was preceded by effective naval and air bombardment, Gen. Douglas MacArthur reported in his communiqué today.

Troops Advancing Rapidly

enemy's extensive defense system heavy artillery fire. was all but wiped out in ten days of concentrated aerial bombing, capped by warship bombardment.

mediately secured, and our troops ploitation," MacArthur reported.

The new landing came as Yanks the southwest. advanced on a dozen ground fronts freighters in the China Sea.

Enemy Barges Destroyed

Arthur reported.

The 14th Corps, already driving east and southeast, now complete the encirclement by attacking northwest along the Bicol Penin-

until recently the site of an ad- McGill, editor of "The Atlanta the drive toward Baguio, Philip- lost.

persity School of Journalism-was Luzon, destroying or damaging entertained at a dinner by the numerous enemy barges concentra-

American Army headquarters to- Mr. McGill offered students of Elsewhere, the 40th Infantry di-American-run Chungking vision on Negros and the Americal

que said.

hideouts.

boosted the grand total to around and clergymen as well as neutral luggers off the east coast. 307,000. Nippon fatalities alone now stand at about 10 to 1 when compared with total American casualties of around 30,000 killed, wounded and missing.

American liberation forces made new gains on all Philippines fronts. especially on Luzon. Negros and Cebu islands, while Yank fliers based in the archipelago swept local areas and ranged afar to strike across the China sea, at Formosa Legaspi on the southeastern "tail" and at targets in the south, includ-

Soldiers of America's 40th division pushed ahead on Negros is-The landing, the first on Luzon's land and neared Talisay town and its airfield. The Americal division on Cebu island gained five miles along the east coastal road to take the town of Consolacion. On Cebu's central front the Yanks reached the foothills of the mountains from American losses were light. The which the Japanese laid down

Drive Toward Baguio

The Yank drive for Baguio, Summer capital in Luzon's Benguet mountains, also progressed. Troops "The city and airfields were im- of the 33rd division reached the roadside town of Burgos, 10 miles northwest of Baguio. Other Doughare now rapidly advancing in ex- boys are approaching the summer capital along a mountain road from

There was stubborn fighting in in the Philippines and American the northeast Luzon mountains on bombers sank or damaged 23 the road to the Cagayan valley. Japanese counterattacks in that sector were beaten back by the 25th division. In southwest Luzon The move enveloped enemy First Cavalry division soldiers forces in southern Luzon, Mac- tightened their trap around San Pablo, in the Laguna de Bay area.

Philippine-based 13th airforce hombers blasted Legaspi, southeast Lezon port, and hit Sulu, southernmost chain of the archipelago, Fifth air force bombers again atcoday by Gentalissimo Chiang

Enemy Attacks Repulsed

Kai-shek.

Later the committee—Wilbur corps "bloodily repulsed" two Japa
hits on a destroyer escort and sev
Relete on merchantmen in French Indo-Forrest, assistant editor of The nese counterattacks near Balete en merchantmen in French Indo-New York Herald Tribune; Ralph pass as the enemy bitterly resisted China waters. One Yank plane was

Maprik supply base in the Wewak dropped 109 tons of bombs along The magnitude of the disaster sector against strong resistance.

Japan has suffered in her ill-fated Meanwhile, army officials in Ma- Mindanao. Philippines campaign grows larger nila disclosed that captured Japaalmost daily as American forces nese documents indicated that the liquidate additional Nipponese sol- atrocities in the ravaged city diers on battlefields or in mountain against civilian men, women and children were ordered by the Nip-Gen. Douglas MacArthur's Mon- pon command. Evidence already Spaniards.

> 10,971 More Japs Die In Philippines

troops, clearing the Japanese out base in the Wewak area. of the Philippines on a dozen fronts, counted 10,971 additional enemy dead in the last five days.

This brought Japanese dead for the entire Philippines campaign to some 307,000 — against an announced American toll of dead. wounded and missing of around 30,000.

Gen. Douglas MacArthur's Monday communiqué, reporting the five-day count, said 185 Japanese were captured. American losses for the period were given as 340 killed. 48 missing and 919 wounded.

U.S. Gains On All Fronts American gains on all fronts were announced.

Japanese consterattacked ele-ments of the both Division on northern Luzon but were beaten off. The 25th continued mopping up bypassed positions along the Villa Verde trail.

Thirty-third Division troops, pushing toward the Philippine summer capital of Baguio in the Benguet Mountains, advanced 2 miles.

First Cavalry troopers, tightening a vise on Japanese-held San Pablo, south of Laguna de Bay in southern Luzon, used loudspeakers and scattered leaflets in efforts to get the trapped enemy to sur-

Advance On Negros

On Negros Island, invaded Thursday, 40th Division doughboys approached the outskirts of Talisay and the Talisay airstrip.

On Cebu, the Americal Division advanced 5 miles on the coastal road from Lahog to Consolacion. Other units reached the foothills of the Central Mountains, northeast of Pardo and Guadalupe.

Thirteenth Air Force bombers attacked enemy installations at

on Cebu are continuing their ex-ploitation, MacArthur's communi-trailian forces were closing on the with 200 tons of explosives and the Sulu Archipelago, southwest of

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Formosa Raids Continue

Fifth Air Force bombers continued attacks on Formosa, Japanese bastion just south of the Ryukyu Islands. Seventh Fleet day communique added 10,971 to gathered covers ruthless slaughter navy liberators, joining in the atthe numerous of Japanese dead, of hundreds of Filipino civilians tack, sank seven loaded Japanese

Mitchell bombers attacked shipping in Yulin harbor on the south coast of Hainan, off the China coast. They sank or damaged one destroyer escort, a medium-sized merchant ship and six smaller vessels. One bomber was lost.

Far behind the strategic front, Australian troops on New Guinea were closing in on by-passed Japa-Manila, April 2 (P)—American nese at the inland Maprik supply

lered By

Manila, April 2 (A) - Captured tound a dungeon-like room partial-Japanese documents bearing dates ly below the ground whose only and children at a lumber plant. He between last December 23 and Feb. exits were sealed by two 7-foot found many of the men and women ruary 14 strongly suggested today steel doors bolted from the outside, and a few of the children had been that the wholesale atrocities on

The atrocities were not, the reports indicated, the work of iso-tims starved to death, but that some lated groups of Japanese who took of them suffocated. Thirty bodies to death in the Catholic Concordia

The commodore said:

"Early in the war we realized ably 150—which concentrated exthough at the time a good many of the doors. They died trying to force College. them so appeared.

Included in the documentary reports of Japanese slaughter of helpless civilians in the downtown bat-piles of corpses, of both sexes, tlefield were Nipponese documents many with their hands bound and and orders of the United fres Army's 14th Carolina Coruna, 22-year-old student nurse working in St. Paul's and bound.

Order Found In Book

tained the following order issued to the Kobayashi group, then inside the walled Intramuros, on February 13:

'All people on the battlefield with the exception of Japanesemilitary personnel, Japanese civilia ans and special construction units. affidavit said, "since the Japs acwill be put to death."

The following is a paragraph3 from a Japanese battalion order dated February 8, captured in the. intramuros by 14th Corps soldiers:

When Filipinos are to be killed, they must be gathered into one. place and be disposed of with the consideration that ammunition and manpower must not be used to excess. Because the disposal of dead bodies is a troublesome task, they which are scheduled to be burned or demolished. They should also be thrown into the river.

Guerrillas Burned To Death

A diary, presumably belonging to a member of the Akatsuki force in Manila and captured by 14th Corps troops, contained these

"February 3—150 guerrillas were disposed of tonight. I personally stabbed and killed ten.

"February 8 - Guarded 1.164 guerrillas newly brought in today. "February 9-Burned 1,000 guerillas to death tonight.'

The pattern of the atrocities as he examined one or two bodies described in the affidavit reports

is so similar as to indicate strongly they were by general order to all

Japanese troops.

Example Of Brutality

brutal of history's inquisitions and tortures. Perhaps the most hor-tortures. Perhaps the most hor-tortures of men women tortures. Perhaps the most of men women tortures of men women to the state of the state of men women to the state of men women to the state of t atrocities at Fort Santiago, inside the Intramuros, sworn to by Col. D. Frederick, commander of the 129th Infantry of the 37th Division.

Probing in the rubble of the destroyed fort, Frederick and his men

civilians in Manila were the result Oriental civilians. The only window who had been shot and bayoneted of battle orders issued to the Nip- in the 5-foot-thick walls was partial- in a mass execution. Many of the

Frederick thinks most of the vic-dren were as young as 2 years.

Student Nurse Eyewitness

Throughout the intramuros Fred. ros dungeons. erick and his men found smaller

Hospital, related in an affidavit that

One Japanese message book con- early in February the Japanese issued leaflets ordering civilians to remain in their homes under penalty of death and set up machine guns at street intersections.

"All male civilians from 15 to 60 were put on the wanted list," her cused all males of being either guerrillas or American sympathizers. The Japs would go from house to house gathering men and boys and then shoot them down on the public streets.

Mowed Down With Guns

"Twice I was an actual eyewitness at the killing of an estimated 75 to 100 civilians. On each occasion the Japanese firing squads composed of about ten soldiers should be gathered into houses armed with automatic weapons. lined up civilians and mowed them

"Women of the victims who ran | freed them. up to the firing squad to plead for mercy were likewise killed, usually before they reached the soldiers.

Several army doctors attested to treating numerous women and children-some small babies-for bayonet wounds. They said most of these told them they had survived group killings by Japanese.

Babies Bayonetted To Death Capt. William C. Gardner, 129th Regiment medical officer, testified from each of several heaps of dead

Inside they found the decompos-bound. On one concrete storage has devoted his life to the Navy.

frocks.

Binkley also viewed the remains of 45 women killed in a group at a put services affoat.

"The result is the Navy now can there was evidence of assault and go anywhere in the world taking its that several of the women were supply base along with its an hour starting at 2:30 A. M. It that several of the women were supply base along with it. bayoneted through the genital or-

wholesale burning of a group of ite increasingly closer to the persons in a Pasay district home mainland. Strike after strike He said the Japanese bound thebe made." it with gasoline. Before the torch ry docks, floating hotels, bakeries, was applied, several men, women rug and supply houses-in short and children were shot for trying is a floating city of several thou-

One was Frankel's wife. He said An important unit of the force dition.

A few managed to escape afte. the fire was set when a Filipino house girl got into the room and Jap Engine Plant

Biggest Mobile Unit Backs Newest Strike At Japs

and found bayonet wounds in most clic [AP—Delayed]—The giant dawn, the bombers set numerous Somewhere in the Western Pafound six babies and examined one American 5th Fleet, in its newest fires among the buildings of the who had been killed by a bayonet, assault on the Japanese Empire, is engine plant. The Tokyo radio re Some of the cases rival the most amination of all bodies impossible. Major David V Birkley of the growing all the time.

weapon

Carter, a wiry seadog of 60, who was born on a sailing ship and who

Substitute For Fixed Bases

At a press conference Carter said women were pregnant. The chil-the mobile supply force served to warn the Japanese out of the belief

that the Japs were not going to He testified 600 Filipino bodies fight at any one point. We knew we were discovered in three Intramu-could not operate well from fixed big Nakajima aircraft engine facbases

On Palaza McKinley, he said, 40 "It would have meant building skirt. priests from Manila Cathedral, one big land base after another and The their hands tied, were bayoneted then abandoning them as we adin a group. All wore their priests' vanced closer to Japan. Also, there are too few Pacific harbors.

"There was only one answer-to

Can Operate Near Japan "We are in a position to seek out Dr. Walter Frankel, Manila sur-the Japanese Navy wherever it geon, attested to surviving the hides. Our warships now can op-

and inhabitants.

her blood "flowed in streams ove is the "crockery fleet"—concrete me on my left side, over my shirt-barges on which supplies of all shall keep it forever in that cor kinds are transferred from transports.

Target For B 20's

Guam, April 2 (AP)—American Superfortresses based in the Marianas concentrated an explosive and incendiary attack on the big Nakaima aircraft engine plant on the northwestern outskirt of Tokyo early today.

Two of the B-29's, from the force were lost to enem be ion, it was announced in Washington by the 20th Air Force headquarters.

Attacking at low level before

cific Fleet Service Force, whose ex when 2,300 tons of incendiary istence was a carefully guarded bombs were dropped on a consecret until recently. It is so im gested industrial area by more than portant that Admiral Chester W 300 B-29's. An official report said Nimitz once called it a secret 3,000 plants and shops were destroyed in that foray, 13.5 acres burned over and an estimated 1,200,000 workers made homeless.

It is headed by Commodore W. B. TOKYO ATTACKED ANEW BY B-29S

Guam, April 2 (A. P.).-Tokyo plosives and incendiaries on the tory on the northwestern out-

The B-29s, flying from Saipan bases, came in at low level in the pre-dawn darkness, setting numerous fires. Tokyo said the was the first low-level attack to hit the important Nakajima plant, a major producer of Nippon's aircraft engines, although it has been a target in high altitude raids.

One Japanese broadcast, re-corded by FCC, said the B-29s victims, huddled them in kneeling Carter declared the mobile ase positions toward the walls, piled sequipped to do anything a navy furniture around them and doused and can do. It includes doating hours later. This is the first report that Superforts were using delayed action bombs against Japan. Domei reported six B-29s raided the Inland Sea last night and early this morning.

At Washington Twentieth Air Force headquarters reported two B-29's were lost to enemy action.

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Brazil broke relations with Domei said that the provided the contraction of t forces in the British Isles in 1942, Russia when the Czarist Govern- ualties were Vice-Admiral Norihas assumed buty as island comment was overthrown and never mander of w Jima, Pacific Fleet headquarters a rounced to animosity to the Soviet Union arose

M. Moore, commanding general Brazil resulted in the unsuccessful of the Seventh Fighter Command revolution of 1935. The Governof the Seventh AAF, has been ment charged the revolt was Comassigned to the command of aircraft of all services based on Iwo. Coup d'Etat of President Getulio

'Authentic' Spain Seeks Aid MEXICO CITY, April 2 (P).

The Spanish Liberation Junta asked the United Nations today to take action at the San Francisco conference toward restoration of recovered," the junta delivered a day by the Argentine Government. memorandum to the Foreign Office and embassies declaring "re- alurgica y Plastica Argentina (bet-

Mexican Right Asks End Of Administration Party

Mexico City, April 2 (AP)-The Sinarquist Union, Rightest organization, today called for "disappearance" of the Administration's party of the Mexican Revolution.

The Sinarquists, in a statement after a national assembly of their regional chiefs, called the nation's predominant political party "one of the negative aspects of the revolution," and added that "in the postwar period true democracy should exist

The organization, leaning strongly toward Catholicism, also issued "a call to the nation to participate in the fight against Protestantism.'

25-Year Silence Broken By Brazil And Russia

Rio de Janeiro, April 2 (A)-Reestablishment of relations between CHANEY CONTROLS IWO Brazil and Russia through an exchange of notes by their ambassa-

in the middle 1930's when conflict In addition, Brig.-Gen. Ernest between Rightists and Leftists in

This unrest culminated in the Vargas November 10, 1937, when he set up an authoritarian state outlawing all political groups. Thereafter the strictest censorship barred from Brazil all information concerning Russia.

MANDL'S PLANT SEIZED

Argentina Nationalizes His Aircraft Factory

BUENOS AIRES, April 2 (A)-The nationalization of the large the Spanish Republic. Asserting metal and plastics plane manufacturing company controlled by collaborate in peace planning but Fritz Mandl, former Austrian muis powerless to act until "liberty is nitions magnate, was decreed to-

The concern, the Industria Metcovery of Spanish liberty is in the hands of the countries convoked in San Francisco."

ter known as IMPA, and been on the Allies' black to six months.

The decree said that the nationalization had been ordered because the factory could not operate normally under wartime conditions and its closing would entail serious social and economic repercussions in view of the large number of its employes.

The decree also called attention, without elaboration, to recent measures under which the administrative council of the Department of Industry and Commerce was authorized to seize control of any assets belonging to persons of any nationality whose activities were deemed a menace to the security of the State, the war effort of the United Nations or the wellbeing and security of the American republics.

14 JAP ADMIRALS DIE

San Francisco, April 2 (A. P.) The Japanese Domei Agency reported the death of fourteen more Nippon se admirals "in action." This brings to 108 the total of laval officers of flag rank whose deaths have been re-

tada Ishi and thirteen rear admirals. The Federal Communications Commission here recorded the dispatch.

Mikado Grants Right To Jap Dependencies

San Francisco, April 2 (A. P.). -Tokyo reported today that Emperor Hirohito had granted Korea, Formosa and Karafuto representation in the Japanese Diet. The Domei dispatch, recorded here by the FCC, said that immediate representation was granted in the House of Peers, but that representation in the House of Representatives must await "promulgation of various imperial ordinances." Karafuto is the Japanese half of the island of Sakhalin, the northern part of which belongs to Russia.

Hepburn Party Leader

Toronto April 2 (AP)—Mitchell F. Hepburn, Liberal leader in the Ontario Legislature, today was chosen leader of the Ontario Liberal party until a party convention is called. He succeeds H. C. Nixon.

GENERAL ROSE DIES IN ACTION

His Division Drove Nearly 100 Miles From Dawn To Dusk

Washington, April 2 (AP)-Maj. Gen. Maurice Rose, whose division led a drive into Germany last week has been killed in action, the War Department announced today.

Without giving time or circumstances, the department said the commander of the 3d Armored Division, a unit of Lieut. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges's 1st Army, died "while leading his division in spearheading the advance of United States troops in Germany."

His was the division that led the way into the heart of the Nazi realm with a drive of nearly 100 miles between dawn and dusk. Thomas R. Henry, Washington Star war correspondent who went along, said the dash was made without flank support, and called it possibly the fastest in combat history.

Possible Clue To Death

A possible clue to how he met death appeared in a citation a few weeks ago for the Distinguished Service Medal, awarded for Rose's leadership of the division through France and Belgium into Germany:

"Displaying inspiring leadership, tactical skill and great valor, he continuously exposed himself to enemy observation and fire to gain first-hand knowledge of the situation and to direct the attack from a better vantage point."

Henry's dispatch gave another sidelight on Rose's way of fighting. The correspondent told how the General a few days ago personally led a squad consisting of a colonel, a major and two privates against twenty German soldiers hidden beside their road. All the Germans were shot or captured.

Incident In Tunisia

Rose also figured 's a negotiator

Ontario Liberals Name ine mrst time the unconditional surrender" principle was applied to the Germans on a large scale. This was in Tunisia at the time of the collapse of Nazi forces there.

Rose then was a colonel, chief of staff to Maj. Gen. E pest N. Harmon, commander of the 1st Ar mored Division.

The 1st had captured bizerte and Harmon had just launched his tanks in what he intended as the final blow to break German resistance in Tunisia.

A German envoy from Gen. Fritz Krause came through the lines in a white-draped Volkswagon to ask terms. Harmon, known as "Old Gravel Voice," gave it to him st. aight - "unconditional surrender," with no effort to escape by sea or sabotage equipment.

In Dress Breeches

Rose, resplendent in dress cavalry breeches and boots, was delegated to carry the word to Krause. Followed by an American halftrack with radio equipment, he and the German envoy in the Volkswagon made their way through the lines with tanks mopping up all around. They arrived at Krause's headquarters in a shower of explosives from American fighter-bombers.

Twenty minutes later Rose mes- Kansas. saged his commander:

"Sir, General Krause accepts your terms of unconditional sur- New Hampshire. render.'

His answer from "Old Gravel Voice" was this:

"Well, how about that bastard up north-does he still want a

11th General To Die

Rose and Harmon both insisted that was code for Gen. Willibald Borowiecz, German commander in the adjoining sector.

Borowiecz showed up in person at Harmon's headquarters to give up while Rose was on the way

Rose was the eleventh American general officer killed in action in this war. Eight others have died in airplane crashes and fifteen from natural causes, while eight are missing and nineteen are prisoners Massachusetts.

His wife, now in Denver, has been notified of his death.

3 MAJOR GENERALS New Jersey.

Roosevelt Nominates Army Naval Captain Robert P. Briscoe And Navy Officers

major generals in the air forces, Hoyt S. Vandenberg, Harold L. George and John K. Cannon, were nominated today by President Roosevelt to be lieutenant generals.

In addition, he nominated 22 brigadier generals to be major generals and 55 colonels to be brigadier generals.

George, 51-year-old native of Somerville, Mass., is chief of the Army's Air Transport Command. He served in World War I in the cavalry and Signal Corps, was mustered out of service in 1919. and returned to the Army the following year to enter the air service as a second lieutenant.

Vandenberg is commander of the 9th Air Force in Europe. He was born in Milwaukee on January 24, 1899. He entered the service in 1923 upon graduation from West Point.

Cannon, 53 years old, is chief of the 12th Air Force operating from Italy. He is a native of Salt Lake City. Cannon is a veteran of World

Brigadier Generals

Brigadier generals nominated to be major generals are:

Clift Andrus, Fort Leavenworth.

Charles B. Stone, San Francisco. Isaac D. White, Petersborough,

Frank A. Heileman, St. Louis. Hobart R. Gay, Rockport, Ill. Walter F. Kraus, Glen Ridge, N.J. Charles A. Willoughby, Bronxville, N.Y.

Albert C. Smith, West Point, N.Y. Clark L. Ruffner, Buffalo, N.Y. Harold W. Blakeley, Malden. Massachusetts.

Donald Wilson, Hiner, W.Va. William F. Dean, Salt Lake City.

Carter B. Magruder, Shadwell irginia.

Lewis A. Pick, Lynchburg, Va. James A. Lester, Columbia, S.C. Paul B. Wurtsmith, Detroit.

Cumberland Colonel James E. Moore, New Bedford,

Howard M. Turner, Avoca, Iowa. Floyd L. Parks, Greenville, S.C. William C. Chase, Providence. hode Island.

Francis H. Lanahan, Trenton,

Frank L. Culin, Tucson, Ariz. UP FOR PROMOTION be brigadier generals was Thomas B. McDonald, Cumberland, Md. Among the colonels nominated to and Col. Charles L. Dasher, of Fort Hoyle.

of Centreville, Miss., was nomin ated to be a rear admiral.

conferred today on the Army's lar news conference at that time. chief of chaplains, Maj. Gen. Wil-liam R. Arnold, by Henry L. Stim-San Francisco for the Soviet-sponson, Secretary of War.

had served with "great distinction" also has said he will try to be prelain. Reaching the statutory age of numerous questions propounded limit, he will retire soon, but will last week on a recently-revealed return to active duty immediately agreement that this country will as assistant inspector general of the back a Russian demand for three Army.

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WASHINGTON, April 2,-(AP) Belittling reports that the San Francisco international conference might be postponed, Senator Connally (D-Tex) predicted today it will begin on schedule, April 25, and "be a success."

The Texan, chairman of the Foreign Relations committee and one of the delegates to the conference, made the forecast to reporters after a conference with Secretary of State Stettinius and Assistant Secretary Dean Acheson.

Postponement Reported Connally's reference was to unofficial reports from London and in this country, that the divergence of policy among the major Allies since the Yalta conference might

sored Warsaw regime in Poland un-The citation said General Arnold doubtedly will come up. Stettinius during eight years as chief chap- pared at that time to answer some votes in the general assembly of the proposed peace agency, provided the United States also gets three votes.

"Regardless of minor differences which may arise from time to time, it is my view that the conference will be held in San Francisco April 25," Connally said.

"It is my further view that the conference will be a success and from it will emerge an international organization for peace that will be acceptable to the United States Senate and to the American peo-

Delegation to Discuss Work The American delegation to the conference will go to the State department tomorrow morning for a general discussion of organizational problems and other preliminary work

Before Connally stated his opin-

ion, there had been indications that if current differences over Poland should not be resolved by the set opening date of the United Nations meeting, a delay of two or three weeks might be arranged with the hope of clearing the matter up. There had been no indication of a move for a prolonged postponement.

Moscow has demanded a seat for Poland at San Francisco, regardless of the fact that Allied negotiations for broadening the base of the Warsaw provisional government apparently have stalled. The Russians contended that it would not be possible to amalgamate that group and "other democratic elements" in time. They reportedly had stalled at including any members of the London exile government.

Both Washington and London flatly turned down the Russian bid for an invitation to the undiluted Warsaw regime.

In the hope of avoiding a showdown on the Polish issue, officials here are bending every effort to achieve the reorganization in time for the United Nations meeting.

Connally conferred with

Washington, April 2 (AP)—Three hajor generals in the air forces, lead to a postponement while they the State department officials, tried to iron out differences. Senator Wherry (R-Neb) sent Stet-Awarded The D.S.M. There may be still more direct information on the point tomorrow. Ishington, April 2 (A) — The State department announced continued refusal on the part of Distinguished Service Medal was that Stettinius will hold his regulate American people" on the Polish issue. He asserted that it might result in "sabotaging America's participation in any future international organization.

> The letter asked: "Is Russia truly intent on rebuilding a peaceful world? If so, why does she stand in the path of Poland's participation in the San Francisco conference?"

> Senator Wiley (R-Wis), a new member of the Foreign Relations committee, issued a statement saying the "breach in the Big Three diplomatic front" must be quickly healed.

He also argued for erection of an international organization at San Francisco flexible enough to "permit us to improvise against the changing contingencies of the world."

Frankness On Pole

Washington, April 2 (AP)-Senator Wherry (R., Neb.) said today that "a continued refusal . . . to be frank with the American people" on the Polish question may result in "sabotaging America's participation in any future international organization.'

In a letter to Secretary of State Stettinius, written at a time when diplomats worked at top speed to avoid a showdown with Russia over Polish participation in the United Nations conference, Wherry asked:

"Why must we refuse an invitation to Poland to the San Francisco conference?

Russia's Intentions?

"Is Russia truly intent on rebuilding a peaceful world? If so. why does she stand in the path of Poland's participation in the San Francisco conference? . . .

"Asking for myself, do you exvidual to support any international as an independent state?

Wherry wrote that millions of Americans are asking the same questions and declared only "an answer entirely free of evasion" will quiet the fears in the minds European end of the global war of his constituents.

Statement By Wiley

Senator Wite, (R. Wis.), newly appointed member of the Foreign Relations Committee, issued a statement declaring that what he called "the breach in the Big Three diplomatic front" over Polish representation at San Francisco and the voting formula for the proposed world assembly must be healed immediately.

"We must not straitjacket the future peace of the world by trying to freeze it into some undetermined mold." Wiley said. "We must enter into the coming years with an open mind . . . a flexible plan which will permit us to improvise against the changing contingencies of the

Wherry declared in his letter to Stettinius that Russia is the only nation that does not recognize the Polish government in exile in London as the legitimate Polish government.

Hits Lublin Committee

Concerning the Lublin committee recognized by Moscow, Wherry

"Is it not true, Mr. Secretary. that this Moscow-spawned Lublin committee includes nine Communists? Is it not also true that the continued conflict between the terroristic Lublin regime and the underground which takes its orders from London is breeding a violent civil war in Poland at this very moment?

High officials here hope that the Polish National Unity Government agreed upon at Yalta in February still may be set up in time to resolve the controversy.

Roosevelt Names Vinson as Director of War Mobilization. Reconversion.

WASHINGTON, April 2-(AP) pect me as a Senator or as an indi- President Roosevelt today accepted the resignation of War Mobilizer organization that excludes Poland James F. Byrnes and thereby gave the broadest official hint to date that Germany is as good as beaten.

By agreement reached months ago, Byrnes was to stay until the job was done.

Vinson Succeeds Byrnes

Fred M. Vinson, federal loan administrator, was chosen to succeed him as director of the Office of War Mobilization and Reconver-

Byrnes had agreed last November to stick to his post--as Mr. Roosevelt then stated-"until the elimination of Germany from the

The 65-year-old "assistant president" submitted his resignation on the day American troops surged across the Rhine in strength, telling the President he felt V-E day "is not far distant."

The President held the resignation while Allied armies fanned swiftly over the Reich and then, in apparent agreement that Germany could now be regarded as virtually eliminated, released the former Senator and Supreme Court justice with "heartfelt regret."

The choice of Vinson to steer the country through the delicate wise the plans which he will be period of waging full-scale war called upon to administer." against Japan even while partly dismantling the war machine had been predicted since Byrnes' first attempt to quit the government last October.

Vinson, former member of the House from Kentucky, is popular in Congress. As director of economic stabilization, he got along with labor most of the time in his management of price and wage problems. His appointment as Federal Loan administrator on March 6, less than a month ago, was cordially received by business.

This augured well for the reception to be given reconversion plans under his direction. The stronghanded Byrnes had been criticized. even among the business members of his own civilian advisory committee, for allegedly letting military leaders dominate the policies into OES, Vinson was the adminisof his office. The resignation of tration figure logically next in line Byrnes' chief deputy Maj. Gen. Lucius D. Clay, was greeted with hardly-concealed relief in the civil-

that Byrnes' "toughness" - evi- ing a manpower control bill at a denced by the night club curfew time when he was planning to reand the brown out-was backed by turn to civil life. a White House mandate.

Resigned March 24

24 and submitted while Byrnes was other people to their war jobs." busy preparing a quarterly report to Congress and the President which promised to drop those unpopular majority leader, praised Byrnes moves - which some people felt highly, saying he knew of no man were designed to create war whose going would create "a greatpsychology more than to conserve er vacuum in public life." resources. The report was almost There was no immediate word as wholly concerned with the recon- to who would succeed Vinson as version program which will go into gradual effect after V-E Day.

Byrnes will remain at his government post until Vinson's nomination is approved by the Senate and will break Vinson into the lob.

Spartanburg, S. C., home.

Thereafter, said an aide, "he has absolutely no plans." Reports that he will enter the private practice of law, and that he has received "flattering" offers from industry received no confirmation.

"I think V-E Day is not far distant," Byrnes told Mr. Roosevelt in his letter of resignation, "My knowledge of the nature of the work now confronting the office causes me to conclude I should not remain longer.

"The office has already embarked upon the development of a program of reconversion x x x I am convinced that the person who is to direct the reconversion program should take charge of this office now. He would then have an opportunity to familiarize himself with the plans we have made and can modify in such manner as he deems

Mr. Roosevelt's reply was filled with high praise of Byrnes' services. "It is not pleasant," he wrote, "to contemplate the severance of a relationship which has been as deightful to me personally as it has been of advantage to the national interest which you have served with

such singular devotion and fidelity." He said he had no choice but to accept the resignation, but asked Byrnes if he could not count upon the latter's "wisdom, knowledge and understanding" if the need should arise in the future. Byrnes

Byrnes was economic stabilization director before the War Mobilization office was set up by executive order on May 28, 1943. Thus having followed Byrnes' footsteps for the highest civilian war office.

On Capitol Hill today, several Senators paid tribute to the departian government agencies last week. ing Byrnes, but Senator Johnson Yet it was generally agreed here (D-Colo) gibed at him for advocat-

"Mr. Justice Byrnes is going back to civil life," he told the Sen-His resignation was dated March ate, "and it's a poor time to freeze

Barkley Praises Mobilizer Senator Barkley of Kentucky

agreed, however, that Vinson would not retain his old, as well as his new job.

No man could hold both jobs unless Congress passed special legislation to enable him to do so, in the view of Senator Barkley and of Senator Taft of Ohio, chairman of the Senate Republican Steering committee.

The OWMR Advisory Board of Public. Agriculture, Labor and Rusiness representatives released through the White House a resolution praising Byrnes and expressing regret at his resignation. The board also expressed good wishes to General Clay in the "critically important work he is about to undertake in the occupational contro! of Germany."

The board is headed by O. Max Gardner, former governor of North Carolina.

The board credited Byrnes with achieving "the coordination and cooperation which is reflected in success in our mobilization for war."

Paying tribute to "his broad vision, impeccable character, abundant courage, and human warmth,' the Board asserted:

"To his former distinguished service at the bar, in the Congress, and on the Bench, he has added a public service to his country in his present position which earns for him the gratitude of the entire nation.'

authorized a statement expressing the hope that he could "make some contribution as a private citizen." BYRNES ACTION SEEN AS BLOW TO

WASHINGTON, April 2 - (AP) James F. Byrnes' resignation as war mobilization director today threw another road block in front of legislation giving the holder of that office sweeping authority over the nation's manpower.

Senator Johnson (D.-Colo.) whose suggestion for a compromise had pried the measure out of a deadlocked conference committee, turned Byrnes' resignation into an argument against the bill.

Mr. Justice Byrnes is going back to civil life," he observed in a Senate speech. "It is a poor time to freeze other people to their jobs.'

The bill, all but dead for days, would empower the War Mobilization director to freeze any or all workers in their employment, to set employment ceilings for individual places of business; and to

He then plans to take a rest at his Federal Loan administrator. Re-regulate hiring of new workers. publican and Democratic legislators | The measure provides penalties of up to a year in jail and \$10,000 fine for willful violations by either workers or employers.

The compromise passed the House by a seven-vote margin, but the men who have been trying to put it through the Senate have conceded their assignment is almost hopeless.

In a speech against the bill today, Senator Morse (R.-Ore.) declared that it "frightens me" and that it "must not pass if we are to preserve our form of government."

Saying there are estimates that a million people will be temporforced labor in essential industries that I want a cordon sanitaire pits tomorrow. when cutbacks are already at hand.

Austin (R.-Vt.) declared the nation Europe against Germany and wrong is "scraping the bottom of the bar- to organize the security of western rel" on manpower, and that the Europe against Germany? major problem of employe turnover could be solved by application sinister purpose which I do not im of the "freeze" provision.

Senator Lucas (D.-Ill.) observed that top military leaders have recommended manpower controls and "I'm going to stand by them."

Pravda Charges Are Denied By Lippmann

Lippmann, columnist, in a reply to criticism by Pravda of his recent book, "U.S. War Aims," insists the western powers have as much right as Soviet Russia to organize security against Germany.

Lippmann telegraphed a statement several days ago to Moscow a single and unified command beanswering an article by A. Gyorgiev published March 16 in Pravda, the Communist party newspaper. an irrational and an impossible So far as was known here today, conception." Pravda has not yet published the

Gyorgiev had declared that Lippthe Russian sphere, and thus espoused "the old plan of Versailles, many in the Atlantic community. workers has been set for April 26. Locarno and Munich," reviving the idea of a "cordon sanitaire."

Book Misunderstood, He Says Lippmann's reply said he had allies, from playing the western powers off against the Soviet of a cordon sanitaire as criminal Union, from seizing the balance of folly," and that "in my recent book power between them, and by this

ously misunderstood, i have insisted tha thot the cordon sanitaire but collaboration with the Soviet sisted tha thot the cordon sanitaire Union is the key to American security, to the paricficiation of Europe an dof Asia, and to world peace.

Lippman continued: "I have assumed that strategical security is the objective of the Soviet Union when it insists that in the borderland between the Soviet Union and themselves diplomatically and militarily with the Soviets for a common strategical defense against the revival of German military power.

Need For Organization Cited

"Yet when I say that the states board. against the Soviet Union. Why, I

"Why should he impute to me a pute to him? . . .

"Surely it is as necessary for the Western Powers to organize the security of the western theater of German aggression as it is for the Soviets to organize the security of the eastern theater. And surely the binding together of these two security systems is as necessary to been indispensable to winning the

Russian Ignored Facts, He Claims

"M. Gyorgiev ignored the plain facts of history and geography when he talks as if I personally Van Horn, the only official spokeshad invented the community of man for both sides, said merely atlantic Ocean. The Atlantic Combinations will resume in munity is a fact, not a theory: the sibility of doubt that France and demands were introduced. Great Britain, Canada and the strategical system, and that when were non-committal. any one of them is vitally attacked. all are bound to be engaged. We cause the military geography of such that military isolationism is

Explains His Stand

"What I have actually said is that in dealing with Germany the paramount consideration is to prevent Germany from dividing the powers off against the Soviet which M. Gyorgiev has so griev- means recovering her military po-

WASHINGTON, April 2 - (AP) John L. Lewis and bituminous coal Germany, all states should align grace for writing a new contract, resumed their negotiations today.

themselves diplomatically and mili- the mines in observance of the an- before discharge. He was not arily unemployed after V-E. day, tarily for the common strategical niversary of the first contract prothe Westerners thought it "incom, defense against a revival of Gerviding an eight hour day, but the The 15 were among 19 Negro prehensible that there is need for man power, M. Gyorgiev complains diggers were expected back in the Seabees discharged by the com-

> board did not quibble. A possible under satisfactory conditions by their opinion, and that was the other four were not considered. main objective for the moment. The mine workers by overwhelm ing vote had authorized Lewis to order a strike if he saw fit.

The negotiating committees are to report to the board by Saturday on the status of discussions. The fact that they did not decide today to abandon collective bargaining the preservation of peace as it has and hasten board hearings on the whole dispute was an indication of the desire of both sides for a negotiated contract, or at least for narrowed differences before the board.

While conference Chairman Ezra

two wars of the twentieth century the morning as usual, it was learnhave demonstrated beyond the postled that few figures on Lewis' wage

Some sources said a little pro-United States, belong to the same gress was made today and others

The mine leader's demand for a ten cent a ton royalty, which the have fought these two wars under operators contend has blocked the negotiations during the month of the basin of the Atlantic Ocean is of these sources said. The principal March, was discussed today, some wage demand of Lewis is for return to the 35 hour basic workweek, with overtime for all time in excess

Lippmann said the Pravda article Negotiations for a new anthramann advocated an Atlantic com- also mistakenly declared that he cite agreement will begin in New munity of powers separate from wished to "exclude Germany from York on Wednesday and a strike the Soviet orbit and to include Ger- poll among the 62,000 hard coal

DISCHARGES ALTERED FOR NEGRO SEABLES

WASHINGTON, April 2-(AP) The Navy reported today that discharges of 14 Negro Seabees for unfitness or inaptitude have been operators, with another month's changed to discharges "under honorable conditions.'

The changes were ordered by a The old contract, due to expire Navy Board of Review and aplast Saturday night, was extended proved by the Secretary of the until May 1 by agreement of the Navy. The "undesirable" discharge operators and Lewis yesterday at of a 15th Negro Seabee was left the direction of the War Labor unchanged, because the Navy said, he had committed several infracwest of Germany must also align Today was virtually a holiday in tions of Naval rules and discipline

manding officer of the 80th Naval The mine leader imposed the 30- Construction battalion at Trinidad, should like to know, is it right to day limit and thus did not comply West Indies, under either "unde-Arguing for the bill, Senator organize the security of eastern fully with the WLB directive, as girable discharges by reason of unthe operators had done, but the fitness" or "ordinary discharges strike was averted for a month in reason of inaptitude.". Cases of the

20,000 SERVICEMEN DENIED INSURANCE

WASHINGTON, April 2-(AP) Rep. Philbin (D-Mass.) asserted today that approximately 20,000 servicemen overseas are reported to have been denied government life insurance policies because of their physical condition.

Philbin said in a statement he would introduce legislation to prohibit rejection of their applications for insurance, and added:

"It is entirely indefensible that any boy who is risking life and limb fighting for his country should be denied insurance coverage x x x especially when he has served under fire and has been rated physically fit for duty."

Philbin said that while servicemen automatically are eligible for insurance at the time of their induction, they must take another physical examination if they decide later to take a policy. Their physical condition may have changed in the meantime.

HOUSE TO PROBL N. Y. BLACK MARKE'

WASHINGTON, April 2-(AP) Chairman Anderson (D-N.M.) announced tonight that the House food study committee will go to New York and Boston to investigate charges that "90 per cent" of the meat there is sold in the black

The committee, he said, expects to be in Boston, April 23 and in in Chicago, April 16-17 and in Cleveland, April 18.

"Charges have come from various sources," Anderson told newspapermen, "that 90 per cent of the meat handled in New York and Boston is in the black market. That's a pretty severe indictment of American business. It is an astonishing charge.

"I'm inclined to believe it's an exaggeration, but we're going to see what there is to it."

The committee, at an executive session, decided on the swing into the interior and northeast, to track the food problems to their sources.

In Chicago, Anderson said, a special study will be made of cattle feeder problems, with special emphasis in Cleveland on consumer by the Natural Gas Act. problems. In addition to the black market question, a study of fish \$119,000 reduction ordered for the supplies will be made at Boston.

Backs Order Reducing Wholesale Gas Rates

Washington, April 2 (AP) - The Supreme Court upheld in the main today Federal Power Commission orders substantially reducing interstate wholesale gas rates of four companies serving wide midcontinent areas.

Justice Douglas delivered the three opinions which affected the Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company, Colorado Interstate Gas Company, Canadian River Gas Company and Colorado-Wyoming Gas Com-

Controlling Factor

Douglas held in effect that the rates as affirmed are just and reasonable. He adhered to a principle previously stated by the court that the result obtained is the controlling factor, and not the method of property valuation used to arrive at gas charges.

Panhandle, whose system extends from Texas, Oklahoma and anese to Michigan, was allowed a

61/2 per cent return which the court said would permit earnings of \$4,363,925 annually after operating expenses. Detroit and Wayne county, Michigan, had contended that Panhandle's rates to a distributing company in Michigan were unreasonable.

The other eight justices concurred in the Douglas decision, but Chief Justice Stone and Justices New York, April 24-25. It will be Reed, Roberts and Frankfurter did so solely because the company failed to enter certain objections before the commission itself in asking rehearing.

Reduction Of Annual Charges

The decision in the Colorado interstate case means the company must lop off \$2,065,000 annually in charges to companies distributing in Colorado and Wyoming. The court divided, 7 to 2, Roberts and Reed dissenting in part.

Canadian River must reduce charges by \$561,000 a year to the Colorado Interstate and the Clayton Gas Company. The opinion divided the court, 5 to 4, with Stone, Roberts, Reed and Frankfurter dissenting on the theory the commission, in its rate fixing, considered certain property values excluded

The court affirmed \$98,000 of the Colorado-Wyoming Company, but reversed judgment as to the remainder and remanded it to the commission. The company purchases from Colorado Interstate and resells in Northern Colorado and Southern Wyoming.

Justice Jackson wrote a special opinion emphasizing again his contentions that the "entire rate-basing method should be rejected in pricing natural gas." He said "far-sighted gas rate regulation" would "use price as a tool to bring goods to market."

Kidnapper Denied Move

Thomas H. Robinson, Jr., convicted as the kidnapper of Mrs. Alice Speed Stoll in Louisville, Ky., in 1934, failed to get the court to reconsider its decision upholding his death penalty.

Salt Lake City Convictions

The court declined to take up an appeal by fifteen Utah residents who contended their rights of religious freedom were violated by their convictions at Salt Lake City of unlawful cohabitation. Each received a five-year term.

today a proposal that American

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power "which might enable it to defeat public policies unacceptable to the management."

He asserted, too, that a single company would be virtually imsince "we could not afford to cancel certificates (of operating privilege). Our loss abroad would be too great."

Mr. Clayton said it was argued that a one-company restriction would not create a monopoly, but a "community company" in which TARGETS IN MARCH. all American air lines which wished could participate.

"I feel that this would still be a monopoly," Mr. Clayton said. The committee has under consideration a bill by Senator Pat McCarran, Democrat, of Nevada, for a single American carrier in international aviation.

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Senators Hear

Opposition to

Air Monopoly

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Occupants Hear

O.S. NINTH AIR FORCE MUSTANGS, SUPPORTING THE RACING AMERICAN APPROPRIATE AREA, DESTROYED 17 ENEMY PLANES AND DAMAGED FIVE OTHERS WITHOUT LOSS TO THEMSELVES IN THREE DOGFIGHTS WITH 150 GERMAN FIGHTERS. LT. BRUCE CARR OF UNION SPRINGS, N.Y. SHOT DOWN FIVE OUT OF A FORMATION OF 60 ME-109S AND FW-190S MORE THAN 70 OTHER FIGHTER BOMBERS, SCOURING THE AUTOBAHN LEADING NORTHEAST FROM CHEMNITZ TO DRESDEN AND EAST OF WEIMAR, TACKLED CONVOYS OF TRUCKS CARRYING TROOPS AND SHOT UP 38 VEHICLES.

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State Fear Abuse of Plan

SECOND TACTICAL AIR FORCE PLANES COMBED ROCKET-FIRING ZONES IN for Single Overseas Line HOLLAND BUT FAILED TO SIGHT ANY CONTINUING WITHDRAWAL MOVEMENTS. SPITFIRE FORMATION LEADER SAID "WE PATROLLED FOR A CONSIDERABLE WASHINGTON, April 2 (A).— DISTANCE INLAND, BUT THERE WASN'T THE FAINTEST SIGN OF ANY GERMAN The State Department and the MILITARY TRAFFIC.

FIGURES RELEASED TODAY OF BOMB TONNAGE DROPPED ON GERMANY IN MARCH participation in international avi- INCLUDED 106,500 TONS RELEASED BY THE AMERICAN EIGHTH AND NINTH AIR ation be restricted to one com- FORCES AND 82,880 TONS POURED DOWN BY THE R.A.F. OPERATING FROM ENGLAND AND WESTERN EUROPE.

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L. Clayton and L. Welch Pogue, chairman of the C. A. B., both told a Senate Commerce subcommittee they believed that the single company might come unsingle company might come un- OF VIADUCTS AND CONCRETE U-BOAT SHELTERS. IT ANNOUNCED THE LOSS OF Mr. Pogue said the single company would be in a position of

MAJ.GEN. HOYT S. VANDENBERG SAID HIS NINTH AIR FORCE HUNG UP

mune from government discipline A NEW WORLD'S RECORD FOR TACTICAL AIR FORCES BY FLYING MORE THAN

50,000 SORTIES AND DROPPING MORE THAN 33,000 TONS OF BOMBS ON GERMAN

VANDENBERG LISTED AMONG THE NINTH'S ACHIEVEMENTS DESTRUCTION

OF 833 TANKS AND ARMORED WYN VEHICLES AND DAMAGING OF 679 MORE -- ENOUGH

TO EQUIP NINE FULL PANZER DIVISIONS. THE AIRMEN ALSO DESTROYED

10,456 MOTOR VEHICLES DAMAGED 6,6711; DESTROYED 13,768 RAILROAD CARS

AND DAMAGED 15,051; DESTROYED 1,453 HORSE-DRAWN VEHICLES AND DAMAGED

451; DISABLED 1,088 LOCOMOTIVES AND DAMAGED 614; SILENCED 555 GUN

POSITIONS AND DAMAGED 322; DESTROYED 3,025 FORTIFIED BUILDINGS AND DAMAGED 1,577; MADE 1,679 RAIL CUTS.

THE WEEK OF MARCH 19 TO 25, VANDENBERG SAID, WARANIMALLE SAW

THE NINTH SET AN ALL-TIME HIGH FOR ANY AIRFORCE BY FLYING 19,234

SORTIES OR AN AVERAGE OF 2,750 DAILY IN PREPARATION FOR THE 21ST

ARMY MANNES GROUP'S CROSS-RHINE DRIVE.

HIS AIRMEN FIRED 5,542,505 ROUNDS OF 50 CALIBER AMMUNITION AND THREE HAVE ALL THEIR EYES ON THE JOB.

4,474 ROCKETS DURING MARCH; DESTROYED 158 GERMAN PLANES, PROBABLY

DESTROYED CHAMBENDAMEN UNDER 18 AND DAMAGED 65 IN THE AIR;

DESTROYED 309 PLANES, PROBABLY DESTROYED 27 AND DAMAGED 381 ON THE

GROUND .

THE NINTH'S LOSSES WERE 98 FIGHTER BOMBERS, 68 BOMBERS,

TEN RECONNALSSANCE PLANES, AND ONE NIGHT FIGHTER WITH 79 FLIERS

KILLED AND 247 MISSING.

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A MINISTRY OF INFORMATION SPOKESMAN SAID THIS MORNING THAT NO OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT HAD BEEN MADE CONCERNING THE DURATION OF THE ATTLEE-EDEN VISIT BUT HE DID NOT DENY THE REPORTS.

DIPLOMATIC SOURCES SPECULATED THAT IF THE BRITISH REPRESENTATIVES CUT SHORT THEIR VISIT THE ACTION POSSIBLY WOULD BE A RESULT OF RUSSIANS ANNOUNCEMENT THAT SOVIET CONFERENCE REPRESENTATIVES WOULD BE HEADED BY THE SOVIET AMBASSADOR TO THE U.S., ANDREI GROMYKO, INSTEAD OF FOREIGN COMMISSAR MOLOTOV. Add London BIG THREE "SECRET MEETINGS" AS "REPUGNANT TO

EVERY PRINCIPLE OF DEMOCRACY."

RAPPING THE NEWS SECURITY PROVISIONS OF THE YALTA MEETINGS, THE

HERALD ADDED: THEY SAVOR OF THE METHODS OF DICTATORSHIPS ... THE METHOD OF DEALING WITH BIG POLITICAL QUESTIONS BY OCCASIONAL MEETINGS OF THE BIG THREE

HAS BEEN PROVED A FAILURE. THE LIBERAL NEWS CHRONICLE ASKED EDITORIALLY THAT THE CONFERENCE BE POSTPONED, ASSERTING IT WOULD BE A "SIDE SHOW" TO THE EUROPEAN WAR'S CLIMAX, WHILE THE CONSERVATIVE DAILY SKETCH SAID A "DELAY OF SOME WEEKS WOULD POSSIBLY RESOLVE IN ADVANCE SOME CONTROVERSIAL

THE NEWS CHRONICLE ALSO CITED AS REASONS FOR POSTPONEMENT THE DIVISION OF THE BIG THREE OVER THE POLISH REPRESENTATION QUESTION THAT THE BIG THREE VOTING FORMULA WAS NOT ACCEPTABLE TO MANY SMALLER POWERS AND THAT THE "GROUND FOR THE CONFERENCE HAD NOT BEEN THOROUGHLY PREPARED."

IT EXPRESSED FEARS THESE FACTORS WOULD CAUSE THE MEETING "TO OPEN IN AN ATMOSPHERE OF THINLY VEILED DISCORD. X X X IF POSTPONEMENT IS NOT POSSIBLE ... LET US AGREE THAT THIS MEETING BE PURELY EX-PLORATORY -- TO BE FOLLOWED BY SOMETHING MORE PURPOSEFUL WHEN THE BIG

OTHER MOSCOW REPORTS SAID T TOLBUKHIN'S TROOPS HAD RAMMED THROUGH NAZI FORTIFICATIONS INTO THE STREETS OF WIENER NEUSTADT UNDER FIRE OF RUSSIAN ARTILLERY REPORTEDLY LAYING DOWN A VIOLENT BARRAGE ON A BIG AIRDROME IN THE CITY'S OUTSKIRTS.

THE ARTILLERY BARRACE KEPT LUFTWAFFE OPPOSITION DOWN TO A MINIMUM AND RUSSIAN STORMOVIK DIVE-BOMBERS WERE VIRTUAL MASTERS OF THE SKY.

ON THE NORTH BANK OF THE DANUBE, MARSHAL RODION Y. MALINOVSKY'S SECOND UKRAINIAN ARMY WAS BATTLING FOR THE RAIL TOWN OF CEKLYS, EIGHT MILES EAST OF BRATISLAVA, DISPATCHES SAID, AS IT SWEPT TOWARD THE SLOVAK CITY FOR A POSSIBLE FRONTAL ATTACK.

THE MOSCOW RADIO, QUOTING NEUTRAL SOURCES, CLAIMED THAT RIOTING HAD BROKEN OUT IN VIENNA AND IN TOWNS IN CARINTHIA, STYRIA AND SOUTHERN AUSTRIA AND PATRIOTS WERE SAID TO HAVE KILLED THE GESTAPO CHIEF IN IMPERILED GRAZ.

MOSCOW SAID THAT THE NAZI MAYOR OF VIENNA, BALDUR VON SCHIRACH, HAD ISSUED HIS PROCLAMATION DECLARING THE CITY IN A STATE OF STEGE AFTER HAVING FLED THE CITY TO THE GERMAN-SWISS BORDER. ONLY LOW-RANKING NAZI OFFICIALS WERE SAID TO REMAIN. BUT THE POPULATION

WAS REPORTEDLY BEING FORCED "EN MASSE" INTO THE VOLKSSTURM AND TROOPS FROM CZECHOSLOVAKIA WERE BEING RUSHED TO THE DEFENSE OF THE CITY.

AS THE RED ARMY PRESSED INTO AUSTRIA AND STOOD READY TO LUNGE ACROSS THE ODER AT BERLIN, THE MOSCOW COMMENTATOR MIKHAIL MIKHAILOV REPORTED THE ADVANCES OF ALLIED TROOPS IN THE WEST AND SAID: "HITLER'S BLOODY REICH IS BEING SQUEEZED EVER TIGHTER IN THE VISE OF TWO FRONTS AND THE WORLD CAN HEAR IT CRACKING."

H.V.EVATT, AUSTRALIAN MINISTER FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, WHO IS HERE ENROUTE TO SAN FRANCISCO, HINTED THAT AUSTRALIA WAS OPPOSED TO GIVI RUSSIA AND THE UNITED STATES THREE VOTES EACH IN THE PROPOSED NEW WORLD SECURITY LEAGUE AND FAVORED GIVING A LARGER ROLE TO THE "MIDDLE POWERS." HE RANKED AUSTRALIA AS A "MIDDLE POWERS?"

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LONDON, APRIL 2-(AP)-VIENNA WILL BE DEFENDED TO THE LAST WITH EVERY MEANS AT THE GARRISON'S DISPOSAL, REICH DEFENSE COMMISSIONER BALDUR VON SCHIRACH PROCLAIMED TONIGHT IN A BROADCAST.

LONDON, APRIL 2-(AP)-TASS, THE RUSSIAN NEWS AGE 37, QUOTED ROMANIAN NEWSPAPER REPORTS PONSONT SAYING 83 FORWER HIGH OFFICIALS OF THE ROMANIAN POLICE HAD BEEN ARRESTED ON SECURITY CHARGES.

THE GROUP WAS REPORTED TO INCLUDE GEORGE RANZESCU, FORMER DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE, AND OFFICIALS OF THE GALATZ, CONSTANTA AND BESSARABIAN POLICE AGENCIES.

TASS ALSO QUOTED ROWANIAN NEWSPAPERS REPORTING THE ARREST

OF 56 GERMAN OFFICERS AND MEN IN BUCHAREST AFTER THEIR ESCAPE FROM

A PRISONER OF WAR CAMP. IT SAID WANY HAD FOUND SHELTER WITH ROMANIA"

LEGIONNAIRES.

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CRIMINALS.

CONTROL OF APRIL 2-(AP)-A-OLF HITLER HEADS THE ROSTER OF WAR

CHIEFS OF TE WILL HAVE NO IMMUNITY FROM PROSECUTION, THE UNITED NATIONS WAR CRIMES COMMISSION DISCLOSED IN ANNOUNCING THE DRAFT-ING OF FIVE LISTS OF AXIS LEADERS WHO WILL BE BROUGHT TO TRIAL.

ONLY HITLER'S NAME WAS MADE PUBLIC. OTHER NAMES WERE WITHHELD, THE COMMISSION EXPLAINED, TO PREVENT FOREWARNING SUSPECTS AND AVERT POSS-IBLE REPRISALS AGAINST HELPLESS PERSONS STILL UNDER ENEMY CONTROL.

RECENTLY A NUMBER OF CHARGES AGAINST THE JAPANESE WET CLOH

IBLE REPRISALS AGAINST HELPLESS PERSONS STILL UNDER ENEMY CONTROL.
RECENTLY A NUMBER OF CHARGES AGAINST THE JAPANESE WERE HEARD AT THE COMMISSION'S LONDON HEADQUARTERS, LAST NIGHT'S ANNOUNCEMENT SAID, INDICATING THAT EMPEROR HIROHITO IS INCLUDED AMONG THE WAR CRIMINALS.
THE COMMISSION ALSO MADE IT CLEAR THAT A PLEA OF ACTING UNDER SUPERIOR ORDERS IN CARRYING OUT AXIS ATROCITIES WOULD NOT IN ITSELF

BE ACCEPTED AS JUSTIFICATION FOR WAR CRIMES.
THE COMMISSION'S STRONGLY WORDED DECLARATION APPARENTLY APPLIED TO

REGULAR ARMY MEN AS WELL AS POLITICAL OFFICIALS.

TWO LISTS OF GERMAN CRIMINALS, ONE OF JAPANESE, ONE OF ITALIAN AND A FIFTH COMPRISED OF ALBANIANS, BULGARIANS, HUNGARIANS, ITALIANS AND ROMANIANS HAVE BEEN PREPARED AND THE HUNT FOR THE WAR CRIMINALS IS ALREADY UNDER WAY, THE COMMISSION SAID.

LONDON APRIL 2-(AP)-SQUADRON LEADER GEODARNES, WHO WAS AN RAF FILTER PILOT BY MISTAKE AND WON FAME AS A TRAINBUSTER WEALT. CONTACT LENSES TO CORRECT AND CONCEAL HIS POOR EYESIGHT, IS MISSING AND PRESUMED DEAD AFTER BEING FORCED TO BAIL OUT OVER THE ENGLISH CHANNEL, THE EVENING NEWS SAID TODAY.

WARNES ORIGINALLY WAS TURNED DOWN FOR FLYING DUTIES BUT THROUGH A

WARNES ORIGINALLY WAS TURNED DOWN FOR FLYING DUTIES BUT THROUGH A CLERICAL ERROR HE WAS ORDERED TO FLIGHT TRAININGX SCHOOL. KNOWING HIS EYESIGHT WOULD GIVE HIM AWAY, HE OBTAINED CONTACT LENSES AND LEARNED TO WEAR THEM FOR HOURS AT A TIME WITHOUT RESTING. THE ONLY RAF PILOT WEARING SUCH EYE AIDS. WARNES BECAME SO ADEPT AT SHOOTING UP TRAINS AND MOTOR CONVOYS THAT HE WON THE NICKNAME OF "STRAFER."

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CAPTURED THE INDUSTRIAL CITY OF RECKLINGHAUSEN, CLEARED THE DIEHAARD FOREST SOUTH OF HALTERN AND PUSHED EAST AND CAPTURED SUDERVICH AND BERHAGEN.

ON THE MORTHERN FRONT, LT.GEN.SIR MILES S.DEMPSEY'S BRITISH AND SCOTTISH TROOPS FOUGHT INTO THE TEUTOBURG FOREST NEAR BIELEFELD IN THEIR DRIVE TOWARD BREMEN. THEY ALSO REACHED THE OUTSKIRTS OF GRONAU TO THE WEST.

WITH THE LIFTING OF THE SECURITY VEIL IT WAS DISCLOSED THAT THE CANADIAN THIRD DIVISION HAD CLEARED ELTEN AND THE WOODS ABOVE THE TOWN WEST OF EMMERICH, WHILE ABOVE THEM OTHER UNITS HAD REACHED THE ZUTPHEN-ENSCHEDE CANAL. ENDLESS STREAMS OF SUPPLIES AND REINFORCE-MENTS WERE MOVING UP TO SUPPORT THIS GREAT MOVEMENT APPARENTLY AIMED AT CUTTING OFF ALL HOLLAND AND BREAKING OUT ON GERMANY'S NORTH SEA THE GERMANS WERE BLOWING THE BRIDGES OVER CANALS AS THEY REFLED

BACK UNDER THE CANADIAN AND BRITISH ATTACKS.

DESPITE DESPERATE EFFORTS BY THE ENEMY TO HOLD THE HIGH WOODS AROUND OSNABRUECK, THE FALL OF THAT CITY APPEARED TO BE NEAR, SAID ASSOCIATED PRESS FRONT CORRESPONDENT WILLIAM FRYE.

THE BRITISH 11TH ARMORED DIVISION WAS SPEARHEADING THE ATTACK IN THIS DIRECTION. MOST ENEMY RESISTANCE WAS FROM FLAK TROOPS AND DEMOLITION SQUADS.

THE RAGING BATTLE IN AND AROUND THE RUHR GROUND ON AS THE AMERICAN NINTH AND FIRST ARMIES TIGHTENED THEIR STRANGLEHOLD ON FIELD MARSHAL WALTHER VON MODEL ARMY GROUP B, CONSISTING OF THE 5TH GERMAN PANZER ARMY, -- THE LAST TANK ARMY THE ENEMY HAS IN THE WEST-- AND THE 15TH ARMY AND PORTIONS OF THE BATTERED FIRST PARACHUTE ARMY.

ALSO BELIEVED CAUGHT IN THE 4,000-SQUARE-MILE AREA ARE FIVE TANK, TEN INFANTRY, TWO PARACHUTE AND FOUR OTHER DIVISIONS OF HOME ARMY RECRUITS. MODEL HIMSELF WAS BELIEVED TO HAVE ESCAPED BEFORE

THE AMERICANS SNAPPED THE TRAP.

PATTON'S FOURTH ARMORED DIVISION PUSHED SIX MILES ALONG THE FRANKFURT-BERLIN AUTOBAHN, CROSSING THE WERRA RIVER AT ONE POINT AND REACHING WITHIN THREE MILES WEST OF EISENACH, 95 MILES FROM THE CZECHOSLOVAKIAN BORDER.

HIS ELEVENTH ARMORED DIVISION BY-PASSED FULDA IN A 25-MILE THRUST THAT CARRIED IT 20 MILES DUE EAST OF THE TOWN AND 92 MILES FROM THE CZECH BORDER. FULDA ITSELF WAS ENTERED BY THE 26TH INFANTRY DIVISION MOVING UP FROM THE REAR IN THE WAKE OF THE ARMOR.

INFANTRYMEN OF THE 80TH DIV SION BATTLED INTO THE OUTSKIRTS OF KASSEL AFTER A FIVE-MILE ADVANCE. OTHERS OF THE SAME DIVISION, WITH UNITS OF THE SIXTH ARMORED, CROSSED THE FULDA RIVER EAST OF FRITZLAR AND PLUNCED EIGHT MILES BEYOND TO SPANGENBERG, A ROAD HUB 15 MILES SOUTHEAST OF KASSEL.

THE SEVENTH'S ARMY'S 45TH INFANTRY DIVISION CONTINUED THROUGH ITS

FOURTH DAY THE SIEGE OF ASCHAFFENBURG. THE GERMANS APPEARED DETERMINED PLACED IN A SECOND GROUP.
TO HOLD THE TOWN AS LONG AS POSSIBLE, PERHAPS TO USE IT AS AN ANCHOR. OF A NEW GERMAN LINE.

A WEEK AGO PATTON'S SWIFT TANKS HAD SHEARED THROUGH THE TOWN AND IT WAS REPORTED CLEARED. BUT NOW IT HAS BECOME KNOWN AS "THE ALONG THE RUHR'S NORTHERN RIM THE 79TH AND 35TH INFANTRY DIVISION.

ALONG THE RUHR'S NORTHERN RIM THE 79TH AND 35TH INFANTRY DIVISION.

THESE MEN HAVE BEEN THROUGH FIVE MAJOR CAMPAIGNS, AND THEY WERE THESE MEN HAVE BEEN THROUGH FIVE MAJOR CAMPAIGNS, AND THEY WERE CALLING THIS ONE THE ROUGHEST OF ALL, ASSOCIATED PRESS CORRESPONDENT A. I. GOLDBERG REPORTED.

FIFTEEN HUNDRED ROUNDS OF MORTAR FIRE FELL IN THIS AREA MONDAY. THE FANATICAL RESISTANCE IN THE TOWN LED OFFICERS TO BELIEVE SOME HIGH NAZI PARTY MEMBER WAS IN CHARGE OF THE AREA AND WAS SPURRING ON THE DEFENDERS IN WHAT FINALLY MUST BE A SUICIDE FIGHT, A FRONT REPORT

THE 45TH TOOK HESSENTHAL, SEVEN MILES SOUTHEAST OF ASCHAFFENBURG. THE THIRD INFANTRY DIVISION MET DIMINISHING RESISTANCE JUST TO THE SOUTH AND STRUCK NORTHEASTWARD BEYOND THE MAIN RIVER TO ERLENFURTH. 15 MILES EAST OF ASCHAFFENBURG AND FIVE MILES SOUTHWEST OF ROHR. IN THE SOUTH THE 63RD DIVISION CONTINUED PUSHING ALONG THE NECKAR RIVER EAST AND SOUTH OF HEIDELBERG.

LOW-HANGING CLOUDS AND INTERMITTENT RAIN LIMITED TACTICAL AIR

SUPPORT.

FIFTH LEAD WESTERN FRONT

BY JAMES M. LONG PARIS. APRIL 2-(AP)-BRITISH AND CANADIAN TROOPS GLAVE CAPTURED ENSCHEDE, OCCUPIED RHEINE AND ARE RACING NORTHWARD FROM 25 TO 40 MILES FROM THE ZUIDER ZEE TO CLOSE A GIANT TRAP ON A GERMAN ARMY GROUP IN WESTERN HOLLAND, FIELD DISPATCHES DISCLOSED TONIGHT.

THE RAPID SHAPING OF A SECOND GIANT POCKET TOOK PLACE AS IT WAS DISCLOSED THAT 21 DIVISIONS OF 110 000 FIRST LINE ENEMY TROOPS WAS

DISCLOSED THAT 21 DIVISIONS OF 110,000 FIRST LINE ENEMY TROOPS HAD BEEN STITCHED TIGHTLY IN THE RUMP POCKET.

DESTRUCTION OF THE TWO POCKETS WOULD WIPE OUT TWO-THIRDS OF THE

REMAINING GERMAN STRENGTH IN THE WEST.

WHILE FIRST CANADIAN ARMY TROOPS JUMPING OFF FROM THE RHINE RACED NORTHWARD 25 MILES INTO NORTH HOLLAND AND REACHED THE ENSCHEDE-ZUTPHEN CANAL, MARSHAL MONTGOMERY'S BRITISH FORCES ENTERED THE WESTPHALIAN CAPITAL OF MUENSTER AND THREATENED OSNABRUECK IN A MOPTHEASTWARD SWEEP.

HAMM, GREATEST RAILROAD CENTER IN EUROPE, AND ONE OF THE MOST-BOMBED CITIES IN GERMANY, WAS BEING MOPPED UP BY MAJ.GEN. ROBERT MACON'S CRACK 83RD DIVISION.

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THE NINTH ARMY TANK JUGGERNAUGHT, WHICH HAS SMASHED MORE THAN 100 MILES EAST OF THE RHINE, WAS REPORTED NEAR SENNEL, 22 MILES NORTHEAST OF LIPPSTADT, WHERE ITS SPEARHEADS LINKED UP YESTERDAY WITH ELEMENTS OF THE FIRST ARMY.

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err Siegenhain Towish women ORIGINALLY 1,200 WERE ROUNDED UP AFTER THE MAZIS OPENLY ASSUMED CONTROL IN NUNGARY. SS TROOPERS HERDED THEM INTO A VARENOUSE AND STRIPPED THEM. THOSE FOUND PREGNANT OR WHO WERE OVER 35 OR SICK OR THOSE WELL AND BETWEEN 16 AND 35 WERE

BOTH GROUPS WERE SHIPPED IN BOXCARS TO BIRKENAU WHERE A CREMATORY

WAS LOCATED.

AGAIN THE WOMEN WERE STRIPPED IN FRONT OF SS TROOPERS. THOSE IN THE FIT GROUP WHO HAD RECOME ILL ENROUTE WERE THROWN INTO THE UNFIT GROUP, AND GARTED OFF.

THE FIT CROUP WAS PUT TO WORK IN POISON CAS AND MUNITIONS FACTORIES.

THE LACK OF PROPER FOOD, SHE WAS DISROBED AND THROWN INTO CARTS
CONTAINING THE DODIES OF GIRLS WHO HAD DIED.

WHEN THE SIXTH ARMORED TANKS WERE REPORTED APPROACHING THE SS GUARDS FLED.

HAYER SAID THE CIRLS HAD BEEN FOUND IN 10 DIFFERENT TOWNS. HARBITEN 319

THEY SAID A LIBERATED RUSSIAN LABORER CAME UP AND TOLD THEM GERMAN OFFICERS WERE HIDING IN A NEARBY SUPER-PILLBOX. KETTERS AND WIKSTON WENT UP TO THE PILLBOX AND CALLED ON THE OCCUPANTS TO COME OUT. A SERGEANT EMERGED WITH A WHITE FLAG BUT THE PAIR TOLD HIM TO GO BACK IN AND GET HIS OFFICERS. HE CAME OUT A SECOND TIME, WITH LT. COL. HERMANN MILTZOW, BUT THE GI'S STILL WERE DISSATISFIED AND WANTED TO KNOW WHO ELSE WAS IN THERE.

THIS TIME THE COLONEL WENT BACK AND BROUGHT OUT THE GENERAL.

A SENIOR AMERICAN OFFICER FROM THE WEST COAST SAID THAT DEATHS
ON THE FORCED MARCH RESULTED FROM THE RATION ALLOWANCE OF ONE LOAF
OF BREAD DAILY FOR EIGHT MEN.

GRIMMENTHAL IS 50 MILES SOUTHWEST OF WEIMAR AND APPROXIMATELY 200 MILES FROM THE PRESENT RUSSIAN LINES IN EASTERN GERMANY.

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NEAR SIEGENHAIN--FIRST ADD PRISON CAMP (BY THOBURN WIANT)
XXX INADEQUATE STOVES.

MAJ. LEON BURNHAM OF SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, SIXTH ARMORED DIVISION MILITARY GOVERNMENT OFFICER, SAID HE FOUND A SIX MONTHS SUPPLY OF POTATOES ON HAND IN THE ENCLOSURE WHICH THE GERMANS WERE KEEPING FOR THEMSELVES.

THE FIRST AMERICAN INTO THE CAMP WAS CAPT. JAMES FINLEY, 721 HINMAN AVE., EVANSTON, ILL.

FINLEY SAID THE AMERICANS "CROWDED AROUND SO CLOSE I COULD HARDLY BREATHE. TEARS RAN DOWN THEIR CHEEKS IN RIVERS. THEY ASKED A MILLION QUESTIONS ABOUT WHAT HAD HAPPENED SINCE BASTOGNE."

THE PRISONERS WERE SO HUNGRY THEY MOBBED THE RATION TRUCK,

"IT WAS A SIGHT I WILL NEVER FORGET," FINLEY COMMENTED.

THE RUSSIANS AND OTHER NATIONS GOT TO BE TOO MUCH FOR ONE MAN SO FINLEY CALLED FOR AIB. LT.ALTON MCBONALD, EBENS BURG, PA., ACCOMPANIED BY CAPT. VERNON WOODS, SHREVEPORT, LA., LED A PLATOON INTO THE COMPOUND AND ORDER SOON WAS RESTORED.

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WITH THE U.S.SEVENTH ARMY--FIRST ADD ASCHAFFENBURG (A34) A A LATE TONIGHT.

MORE THAN 1,000 ENEMY PRISONERS HAD BEEN CAPTURED UP TO LAST MIDNIGHT AND UNCOUNTED NUMBERS OF NAZIS SLAIN IN THE SANGUINARY BATTLE, ONE OF THE MOST VIOLENT ON THE WESTERN FRONT SINCE THE FIRST ARMY'S SIEGE AT AACHEN.

MEANWHILE, PATCH'S VANGUARDS LEADING THE ADVANCE INTO GERMANY WERE MEETING STIFFENING OPPOSITION AT KITZINGEN AND MARKTBREIT, 10 AND 12 MILES, RESPECTIVELY, SOUTHEAST OF WUERZBURG. THESE POINTS ARE 76 AIRLINE MILES DUE EAST OF THE RHINE AND 94 MILES WEST OF THE CZECHOSLOVAKIAN BORDER.

THE YANKS HAD SECURED CROSSINGS OF THE RIVER MAIN BELOW WUERZBURG AND WERE PUSHING ARMORE ACROSS THE STREAM TO DRIVE ON EAST WHILE INFRANTRYMEN POISED FOR AN ASSAULT ON WUERZBURG ITSELF.
THIRD DIVISION INFANTRY CLEARED ROTHENBUCH, LICHTENAU AND ERLENFURTH, MIDWAY BETWEEN ASCHAFFENBURG AND LOHR. LOHR IS 18 MILES EAST OF ASCHAFFENBURG ON A WINDING ROAD. TANKS OF THE 14TH ARMORED

DIVISION, RUMBLING AHEAD OF THE DOUGHBOYS, WERE REPORTED APPROACHING LOHR THIS AFTERNOON.

OTHER FORCES DRIVING DOWN THE NECKAR RIVER WERE THREATENING HEILBRONN. THE 63RD INFANTRY DIVISION, PINPOINTED IN THE VICINITY OF MOSBACH, WAS PUSHING EAST 13 MILES NORTH OF HEILBRONN WHILE A TASK FORCE FROM THE 10TH ARMORED DIVSION WAS NEARING BAD WIMPEN, JUST FIVE MILES ABOVE HEILBRONN.

ONE POCKET OF ABOUT 2,000 ASSORTED ENEMY REPLACEMENT TROOPS WAS ENCIRCLED AT KOENIGSHOFEN ON THE EAST BANK OF THE TAUBER RIVER, 18

MILES SOUTH AND SLIGHTLY WEST OF WUERZBURG.

AT ASCHAFFENBURG 23 BUILDINGS WERE BLOWN UP BY AERIAL ROCKETS AND BOMBS, WHILE OTHER AIR FORCE TARGETS INCLUDED STUTTGART, AND BOMBS, WHILE OTHER AIR FOR TUEBINGEN, SOUTHWEST OF BOEBLINGEN AND TUEBINGEN. AT TUEBINGEN, SOUTHWEST OF BUILDINGS OF THE RINDENBURG BARRACKS, KNOWN TO BE HOUSING BUILDINGS OF THE RINDENBURG BARRACKS, KNOWN TO BE HOUSING BUILDINGS, WERE HIT BY BOMBS AND ROCKETS. TREMENDOUS FIRES AND EXPLOSIONS WERE REPORTED. ALL AMERICAN PLANES RETURNAPRAS 37945 BOEBLINGEN AND TUEBINGEN. AT TUEBINGEN, SOUTHWEST OF STUTTGART, 20

BY LOUIS P. LOCHNER

MANNHEIM, GERMANY, APRIL 2-(AP)-MANNHEIM'S NAZI BOSSES APPARENTLY DEPENDED UPON PROPAGANDA MORE THAN ANY OTHER WAR WEAPON TO SAVE THEIR CITY FROM THE COMPLETE RUIN IT NOW IS.

AS EVERYWHERE ELSE, THEY FLED WHEN AMERICANS MOVED IN FOUR DAYS BUT EVIDENCE OF THEIR CAMPAIGN OF WORDS STARES ONE IN THE FACE

IN MANY CITIES SIGNS EXHORT CITIZENS TO MAKE A LAST STAND. NOWHERE, HOWEVER, HAVE I SEEN SO MANY NOR ANY CLOTHED IN SUCH FIERY LANGUAGE AS IN MANNHEIM.

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HEIDELBERG, GERMANY, APRIL 2-(AP)-NINE SOLDIERS HEADED BY CPL-EVERETT F.BOLLMAN, OF WELGE, ILL., ARE THE TEMPORARY MASTERS OF HEIDELBERG'S MOST PRIZED TOURIST SHOW-PIECE, THE FAMED "SCHLOSS" OR CASTLE.

WHERE ONCE KNIGHTS IN SHINING ARMOR AND LADIES FAIR ATTENDED TOURNAMENTS OR RECEIVED THE HOMAGE OF THEIR LIEGEMEN, THESE HUSKY YOUNG AMERICANS SEE TO IT THAT NO HARM BEFALLS THE CASTLE OR ITS

NUMEROUS HISTORIC TREASURES.

THE CASTLE, WITH ITS IDYLLIC GARDENS AND TURRETS FURNISHING A SUPERB VIEW OF HEIDELBERG AND THE NECKAR RIVER BELOW, IS OFF LIMITS FOR THE AMERICAN ARMY, AS IS CUSTOMARY IN THE CASE OF ALL HISTORICALLY IMPORTANT SITES.

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BY A.I.GOLDBERG

HEIDELBERG, GERMANY, APRIL 2-(AP)-HISTORIC HEIDELBERG IS CRAMMED WITH 30,000 GERMAN REFUGEES, BUT SHOWS ALMOST NOTHING OF WAR'S PHYSICAL RAVAGES.

MAJOR LEIGH PLUMMER, OF COLUMBIA CITY, IND., SAID THE BURGOMASTER
--A DR.KARL NEINHAUS--WAS THE ONLY OFFICIAL OF THE NAZI REGIME WHO
REMAINED. THE REST TOOK OFF AS THE AMERICANS APPROACHED.
NEINHAUS IS "TEMPORARILY STAYING AS BURGOMASTER UNTIL HE IS

SCREENED BY COUNTER INTELLIGENCE OR WE FIND A BETTER MAN TO DO THE

PLUMMER SAID HEIDELBERG WAS PROBABLY THE FIRST CITY ENTERED IN GERMANY IN WHICH THE POPULATION WAS GREATER THAN NORMAL BECAUSE OF REFUGEES. IT NORMALLY IS A CITY OF 86,000.

"THE FOOD SITUATION IS ALARMING HERE, TOO," HE SAID, "BECAUSE OF

THE EXTRA MOUTHS TO FEED."

THE MOST SERIOUS PROBLEM. PLUMMER SAID, IS THE LOOTING OF RAILWAY CARS BY GERMAN CIVILIANS. HE EXPLAINED THAT THE GERMAN ARMY LEFT BEHIND ON SIDINGS CARS FILLED WITH LARD AND FOOD STUFFS, AS WELL AS CLOTHING. THE CIVILIANS HEARD ABOUT IT AND STARTED BREAKING INTO THE CARS.

PLUMMER SAID NO HEALTH PROBLEM EXISTS, BUT THAT THE CITY IS

WITHOUT POWER AND LIGHT.

THE CITY'S HOSPITALS, ARE FILLED WITH GERMAN WOUNDED. CROSS FLAGS ARE AS NUMEROUS IN HEIDELBERG AS WHITE FLAGS IN MOST OTHER GERMAN, TOWNS.

ONE GERMAN CIVILIAN, VIKTOR KOLBA, HAD BEEN IN TEXAS ONLY FOUR WEEKS AGO. HE GOT TO HEIDELBERG BY VIRTUE OF A CIVILIAN REPATRIATION AGO. HE GOT TO HEIDELBERG BY VIRTUE OF A CIVILIAN ALFRACAGO, ILL.
EXCHANGE. HE FORMERLY LIVED AT 1514 HENDERSON ST., CHICAGO, ILL.
AND WAS INTERNED WITH HIS WIFE AS APPERMAN NATIONAL IN 1942 AND SENT
TO A TEXAS CAMP.

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LANGUAGE IS A FAIR COLLECTION OF INT.

"VICTORIA OR SIBERIA...GLOWING HEARTS AND CREAT FOR VICTORY...NOEODY

ACHIEVE VICTORY...NO SACRIFICE IS TOO GREAT FOR VICTORY...NOEODY

CAN ROB US OF OUR VICTORY...IF WE BELIEVE IN THE FUEHRER NOBODY CAN

STEAL THE VICTORY...VICTORY WILL BE OURS...

"WORK, FIGHT, ACHIEVE VICTORY...WORK, FIGHT, HAVE FAITH...WE

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WORD CAME BACK THAT THE PAIR HAD RUN INTO TROUBLE AND THEN NO

FURTHER NEWS WAS RECEIVED UNTIL LATE AFTERNOON WHEN GALLAGHER GOT A

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PARIS, APRIL 2-(AP)-UNITS OF THE RECONSTRUCTED FRENCH ARMY MARCHED THROUGH PARIS TODAY AS TENS OF THOUSANDS CHEERED IN AN OFFICIAL CELEBRATION OF THE CITY'S LIBERATION.

THE CELEBRATION WAS PRECEDED LAST NIGHT BY A CEREMONIAL RELIGHTING OF THE FLAME AT THE TOMB OF THE UNKNOWN SOLDIER. FOR THE FIRST TIME

WITH THE NINTH ARMY IN GERMANY, APRIL 2-(AP)-THE JUNCTURE OF THE AMERICAN NINTH AND FIRST ARMIES, BUTTONING THE RUHR POCKET AND ENCIRCLING THREE GERMAN ARMIES, WAS CONSUMMATED WHEN THE COMMANDER OF FIRST ARMY ELEMENTS FROM THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF PADERBORN WALKED INTO LIPPSTADT, ABOUT 20 MILES EAST OF HAMM, YESTERDAY AFTERNOON.

STANDING ON A STREET CORNER HE FOUND COL. SIDNEYS HINDS, NASHVILLE, TENN., PUSHING HIS CRACK COMBAT TEAM B THROUGH THE TOWN AFTER IT HAD DRIVEN 100 MILES IN TWO DAYS WITH THE NINTH'S SECOND ARMORED

DIVISION.

"THAT MAKES IT FORMAL." SAID CPL. PAT BROGAN, (22 ABBOTT RD.)
BUFFALO, N.Y., WHO HAS BEEN IN THE SECOND ARMORED EVER SINCE LT.
BEN. GEORGE S.PATTON. JR., WAS ITS COMMANDER BACK IN THE STATES.
THE LINK-UP CAME AT A TIME WHEN THE FRONT WAS SO FLUID THAT
THOUSANDS OF REFUGEES ON THE ROADS FOR 40 MILES BACK OF THE FRONT
WERE GETTING IN THE WAY OF BRIG. GEN. I.D. WHITE'S TANKERS COMING UP BACK OF THE ASSAULT FORCE

BROGAN SAID LIBERATED FRENCH LABORERS AND FORMER SOLDIERS WHO HAD BEEN PRISONERS OF WAR FOR AS MUCH AS FIVE YEARS WERE MACHING DOWN THE ROADS SINGING THE "MARSEILLAISE." ONE GROUP PROUDLY CARRIED A RATTEDED OLD TRICOLOR THEY HAD BEEN HIDTIG AND HIEN THEY PASSED A A BATTERED OLD TRICOLOR THEY HAD BEEN HIDING AND WHEN THEY PASSED A
ROW OF GERMAN PRISONERS HERDED BY A STEEL-HELMETED YANK THE FRENCHMEN ALL THUMBED THEIR NOSES AT THE BOCHES AND KEPT RIGHT ON SINGING THE NATIONAL ANTHEM THAT HAD BEEN STILLED IN THEIR THROATS SINCE 1940.

"IT'S GETTING FASHIONABLE UP THERE TO HAVE PRISONERS ON YOUR

VEHICLE. SAID SGT. FRANCIS J. HOGAN. CLEVELAND. O. "THERE ARE SO MANY KRAUT PRISONERS UP THERE THAT WE CAN'T POSSIBLY BRING THEM ALL BACK

HE ADDED, "THE MOST POPULAR EXPRESSION ON THE FRONT TODAY IS DEUTSCHLAND IST KAPUT." (GERMANY IS FINISHED).

A HOMESICK GERMAN WHO HAD JUST SURRENDERED ASKED LIEUT. ALVIN SHAPIRO, BROOKLYN, N.Y., IF HE COULD STOP AT A HOUSE DOWN THE ROAD AND SAY GOOD-BYE TO HIS MOTHER. "SURE, IF I CAN GO BACK TO BROOKLYN AND SEE MY WIFE," WAS THE VETERAN SECOND ARMORED TANKER'S REPLY.

A GERMAN PASTOR ASKED LT. COL. EUGENE A.TRAHAN, LAFAYETTEVILLE, IND., FOR PERMISSION TO HOLD EASTER SERVICES AND A PROCESSION IN THE NEWLY CAPTURED TOWN.

TRAHAN ALLOWED THE PASTOR TO HOLD EASTER MASS BUT EXPLAINED THE PROCESSION WOULD JAM VITAL ARTERIES TO THE FRONT.

KA1052AEW WITH THE U.S. NINTH ARMY, APRIL 2-(AP)-THE FIRST NIGHT THE NINTH ARMY PRESS CORPS MOVED INTO PROPAGANDA MINISTER PAUL JOSEPH GOEBBELS' CASTLE ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF RHEYDT THEY HEARD GOEBBELS' UNMISTAKABLE

VOICE OVER THE GERMAN RADIO.
"I GUESS WE HAD BETTER LISTEN TO OUR LANDLORD," COMMENTED VIC JONES OF THE BOSTON GLOBE.

GOEBBELS GOT THE CASTLE FROM THE CITY OF RHEYDT, WHICH OWNS THE ESTATE BUT ALWAYS PRESENTS IT TO ITS OUTSTANDING NATIVE SON FOR HIS LIFE TIME. GOEBBELS' LEASE APPARENTLY IS ABOUT TO RUN OUT.

ONE NIGHT THE TELEPHONE RANG AND NOEL MONKS OF THE LONDON DAILY MAIL INFORMED THE STARTLED CALLER: "DER FUEHRER SPRECHEN."

AMONG THE CORRESPONDENTS RESIDING IN THE CASTLE WERE HANK WALES, CHICAGO TRIBUNE; ERNIE LEISER, STARS AND STRIPES AND FORMERLY OF THE CHICAGO HERALD AMERICAN; RONALD STEAD, CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR; HUGH SCHUCK, NEW YORK DAILY NEWS; SEYMOUR FREIDIN, NEW YORK HERALD TRIBUNE; HOLBROOK BRADLEY, BALTIMORE SUN; LOUIS AZRAEL, BALTIMORE NEWS POST; WILLIAM VANDIVERT AND WILL LANG, LIFE AND TIME AND JAMES WELLARD, CHICAGO TIMES.

KA1055AEW SIEGENHAIN, GERMANY, APRIL 2-(AP)-MORE THAN 1,200 BRITISH AND DOMINION TROOPS LIBERATED WHEN AMERICANS CAPTURED A PRISON CAMP NEAR HERE HAD BEEN MARCHED BY FORCED STAGES 300 MILES FROM BRESLAU. THE GERMANS HAD REMOVED THEM FROM REACH OF THE RUSSIANS ONLY TO

HAVE THEM FREED BY THE AMERICANS. THERE WERE NUMEROUS DEATHS DURING THE MARCH AND SEVERAL MORE DAILY

AFTER REACHING THE CAMP DUE TO EXHAUSTION. THEY HAD TWO CRYSTAL RADIO SETS, THE PARTS CARRIED BY VARIOUS MEN, WHICH WERE USED TO LISTEN TO LONDON NEWS SUMMARIES.

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BY WILLIAM FRYE (400)
WITH THE BRITISH SECOND ARMY, APRIL 2-(AP)-THE ENTRANCE INTO
MUENSTER WAS LIKE A DRINK OF CHILLED CHAMPAIGNE TO TANKMEN OF THE COLDSTREAM AND SCOTS GUARDS AND AMERICAN AIRBORNE INFANTRYMEN WHOSE GREATEST FEAR HAS BEEN THAT THEIR WEARINESS WOULD PROMPT THE HIGH COMMAN TO PULL THEM OUT OF THE LINE, GIVING THIS PRIZE TO FRESHER UNITS. UNITS SO TIRED THEY WERE GROGGY AFTER A WEEK OF CONSTANT ADVANCING

FOUND NEW ENERGY FOR THE DRIVE INTO THE GREAT CATHEDRAL CITY--WITH AACHEN AND TRIER ONE OF THE THREE MOST IMPORTANT CATHOLIC CENTERS INALL GERMANY.

REACHING MUENSTER, THEY COMPLETED A BRILLIANT, 50-MILE THRUST,

INCLUDING NUMBERLESS SMALL BUT BITTER BATTLES.

I WAS WITH THEM AT APPELHEULSEN--A WRECKED, BURNING VILLAGE WITH GERMAN SEHLLS STILL WHISTLING INTO ITS FLAMING RUINS--WHEN THE COLUMNS FORMED FOR THE ATTACK THAT CARRIED THEM TO HEIGHTS WEST OF MUENSTER EASTER EVE.

BEHIND THE TANKMEN AND AMERICAN INFANTRYMEN WHO RODE THE TANKS AND FOUGHT BESIDE THEM IN THE LONG STRUGGLE UP THE ROAD FROM WESEL WERE DORSTEN, HALTERN AND DUELMENBULDERN, MARKING THEIR PROGRESS FORWARD.

A COMMANDER TALKING TO HIS INTELLIGENCE OFFICER, SAID: "WE'VE GOT TO GET TO MUENSTER. THE MEN ARE STAGGERING A BIT.

THE YOUNG INTELLIGENCE OFFICER, WHO SHORTLY BEFORE HAD SAID, "IT'S BEEN GOOD FUN, BUT, LORD, I WANT TO GO TO BED," REPLIED TO HIS

"SUCH THINGS HAVE BEEN DONE BEFORE, SIR." NOW IT'S BEEN DONE. WITH THE LIFTING OF THE NEW SECURITY VEIL WHICH HAS SCREENED THIS ARMY'S MOVEMENTS FOR THREE DAYS, IT IS POSSIBLE TO DISCLOSE THAT THE CANADIAN THIRD DIVISION HAS CLEARED ELTEN AND THE WOODS ABOVE THE TOWN WEST OF EMMERICH. ABOVE THEM OTHER UNITS HAVE REACHED THE LINE OF THE TWENTHE CANAL WEST OF ENSCHEDE WHICH HAD FALLEN.

BEHIND THESE SPEARHEADS, VAST COLUMNS OF REINFORCEMENTS, EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES ROLLED FORWARD IN AN ENDLESS STREAM THROUGH FLATTENED TOWNS AND SPLINTERED FORESTS, PAST RICH FARMS AND NUMBERLESS WAY-SIDE SHRINES OF THE WESTPHALIAN COUNTRYSIDE, PASSING WEARY LINES OF LIBERATED SLAVE LABORERS AND GERMAN REFUGEES TRUDGING TO THE REAR.

DESPITE DESPERATE EFFORTS OF THE ENEMY TO HOLD HIGH WOODS AS A DEFENSE LINE, THE FALL OF CANABRUECK, ONE OF THE MOST BOMBED CITIES

IN ALL GERMANY, SEEMED NEAR.

THE CAPTURE OF OSNABRUECK IN HANNOVER PROVINCE WOULD GIVE THE SECOND ARMY ITS GREATEST PRIZE SINCE THE RHINE CROSSING 10 DAYS AGO, THE CITY OF 97,000 LIES ON THE DIRECT AUTOBAHN ROUTE FROM THE DUTCH BORDER TO BERLIN, 235 MILES EAST. IT IS AN INDUSTRIAL CENTER WITH GREAT IRON AND STEEL WORKS, MACHINERY, COPPER AND STEEL WIRE PLANTS AND OTHER INDUSTRIES. TA&EV835PEW

BY NEDVILLE NORDNESS (200)
WITH THE CANADIAN FIRST ARMY, APRIL 2-(AP)-CANADIAN ARMORED UNITS
ARE ADVANCING IN NORTHEAST HOLLAND AT AN ANNOUNCED RATE OF 15 MILES A DAY AGAINST RAGGED AND DISORGANIZED RESISTANCE, WHILE BRITISH FORCES UNDER CANADIAN COMMAND SEEK TO CLEAR OUT AN ENEMY POCKET BETWEEN NIJMEGEN AND ARNHEM ..

IT WAS STATED AUTHORITATIVELY THAT BOTH PHASES WERE "GOING WELL."
NORTH OF THE RHINE CANADIANS TROOPS WHICH PUSHED THROUGH THE HEAVILY-WOODED HOCH ELTEN ARE ADVANCING WESTWARD TOWARD ARNHEM. A SECURITY SILENCE CLOAKED THEIR FARTHEST ADVANCES. TERBORG, 20 MILES SOUTHEAST OF ARNHEM, WAS THE DEEPEST POINT OF ADVANCE CORRESPONDENTS WERE PER-

MITTED TO IDENTIFY. MATCHING THE CANADIAN AND BRITISH FORWARD MOVEMENT WAS A MASS EXODUS BY THE ENEMY STREAMING OUT OF WESTERN HOLLAND IN MOTOR TRANS-

PORT AND HORSEDRAWN CARTS.

THE ENEMY APPARENTLY WAS CONVINCED THAT FIELD MARSHAL SIR BERNARD L. MONTGOMERY INTENDS TO SEAL OFF WESTERN HOLLAND AND THE GERMANS SOUGHT TO GET OUT KEY TROOPS, LEAVING ONLY SKELETON RESISTANCE BEHIND.

THE ENEMY SEEMED TO HAVE MOVED ANTIAIRCRAFT DEFENSES IN WESTERN HOLLAND TO HIGH FEATURES WEST OF THE RIVER IJSSEL RUNNING NORTH OF ARNHEM TO THE ZUIDER ZEE (IJSSEL MEER), PRESUMABLY TO PUT UP SOME SORT OF DEFENSE.

DUTCH SS TROOPS, AMONG THE DEFENDERS BEING LEFT BEHIND AS THE

GERMANS WITHDRAW, CAN BE EXPECTED TO MAKE A FIERCE FIGHT.

EASTOLEM PARIS, APRIL 2-(AP)-LT.BRUCE W.CARR, NINTH AIR FORCE ACE WITH 12 ENEMY PLANES TO HIS CREDIT, SHOT DOWN FIVE MORE TODAY IN AN AERIAL BATTLE BETWEEN HIS MUSTANG GROUP AND 60 GERMAN FIGHTERS NORTHEAST OF WEIMAR.

"I TAGGED THE LEADING ME-109--GOT HIM WITH THE FIRST BURST." SAID THE UNION SPRINGS, N.Y., PILOT. "HE BLEW UP. I HIT ANOTHER IN THE ENGINE AND HE SPED INTO THE GROUND. THE THIRD ONE CAUGHT FIRE AND THE PILOT BAILED OUT. I GOT RIGHT BEHIND ANOTHER GERMAN AND GOT HITS ALL OVER HIM. HE WENT STRAIGHT INTO THE GROUND.

THE FIFTH ONE I HAD TO CHASE IN AND OUT OF THE OVERCAST BUT I FINALLY SPEARED HIM AND HE ROLLED OVER AND CRASHED TO THE EARTH. "

BY WILLIAM FRYE

HALTERN, WESTPHALIA, GERMANY, APRIL 2-(AP)--LT.DONALD N.O'ROURKE OF
HUDSON FALLS, N.Y., CAUSED A CONSUMING THIRST AMONG NAZIS--AND VIRTUALLY PARCHED SOME OF THE RUHR'S INDUSTRIES WHILE THE PLANTS STILL
WERE IN GERMAN HANDS-BY CUTTING OFF THE WATER SUPPLY FOR MANY COURSES TASASPEW ERE IN GERMAN HANDS-BY CUTTING OFF THE WATER SUPPLY FOR MANY CITIES

WHEN AMERICAN AND BRITISH FORCES TOOK THIS SMALL TOWN. AMONG THE CITIES DEPRIVED OF WATER SUPPLIES BY O'ROURKE'S INITIA-

TIVE WERE MUENSTER, HAMM, DORTMUND AND GELSENKIRCHEN.

O'ROURKE IS AN OFFICER OF A BATTALION WHICH MOVED IN HERE SEVERAL DAYS AGO. INVESTIGATING SMOKE POURING FROM CHIMNEYS, HE DISCOVERED HE BIGGEST PUMPING PLANT IN NORTHWEST GERMANY STILL WAS OPERATING. THE ENEMY HAD BLOWN ONE PUMP OF 50,000 CUBIC METERS (ABOUT 13,209,000 GALLONS) CAPACITY BUT LEFT TWO OF THE SAME SIZE OPERATING.
O'ROURKE SHUT DOWN THE PLANT AND SEIZED THE PLANS AND DIRECTIONS
FROM THE ENGINEER-DIRECTOR.

O'ROURKE'S OUTFIT SINCE HAS MOVED FORWARD AND A MILITARY GOVERN-MENT HAS MOVED INTO HALTERN, LED BY MAJ.JOHN O.HALL OF EL RENO, OKLA., AND HIS STAFF OF FIVE OFFICERS AND 10 ENLISTED MEN.

BEFORE THE WAR. HALL WAS MAYOR OF EL RENO AND NOW FINDS HIMSELF THE MILITARY GOVERNOR OF A GERMAN CITY OF ABOUT THE SAME SIZE.

HE HAS THE WATER PLANT OPERATING AGAIN, BUT WITH ALL VALVES CLOSED EXCEPT THOSE THAT MAKE HALTERN ONE OF THE FEW TOWNS IN THE PATH OF THE ALLIED CONQUEST BOASTING A WORKING WATER SYSTEM.

HALL SAID HIS TOUGHEST PROBLEM WAS TRYING TO SET UP A GERMAN CIVILIAN GOVERNMENT IN A TOWN THAT WAS ALMOST 100 PER CENT NAZI.

ONE OF THE KEY MEN ON HALL'S STAFF IS PFC. ABRAHAM N. COHEN OF 6 MECHANIC ST., MILLBURN, N.J., WHO IS IN CHARGE OF ALL DISPLACED PERSONS.
THE PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER, WHO RESCUED THE HOSE AND LAST FIRE ENGINE
IN TOWN AND PUT THEM TO IMMEDIATE USE AFTER THE FRONT MOVED OUT OF RANGE, IS CAPT. GEORGE BANTA OF 505 AVENUE 28, VENICE, CALIF. A FORMER DETECTIVE LIEUTENANT FOR THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT.

HEIDELBERG, GERMANY, APRIL 2-(AP)-BLOND.

CHARLOTEE SCHMIEPP, OF (216 WEST CHELTON AVE.) PHILADELPHIA, MAROOMED A

HEIDELBERG UNIVERSITY SINCE AMERICA'S ENTRY INTO THE WAR, HOPES HER

STUDIES AVILL PAY DIVIDE"DS AT LAST.

HHOT BEING ABLE TO RETURN TO AMERICA," SHE SAID, "I CO"TINUED MY

LANGUAGE STUDIES AT HEIDELBERG UNIVERSITY'S SCHOOL FOR INTERPRETERS.

I AM MOST AMXIOUS TO HELP THE MILITARY GOVERNMENT."

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CREDITED WITH TWO PLANES EACH WERE 1ST LT. CHARLES I. WHITE. 1741
WEST FIFTH ST., OAKLAND, CALIF.; 2ND LT. JOHN E. EDWARDS. 902 MAIN ST.,
STEUBENVILLE, OHIO; 2ND LT. EARLE E. CAREY, 3225 BELLE AVE., '5.LOUIS,

ONE PLANE EACH WAS SHOT DOWN BY 2ND LT. HAROLD M. MORRIS. 546 STANTON AVE., PORTLAND, ORE., AND FLYING OFFICER JAMES H. FISCHER, 21 GLEN ECHO PARK, STOUGHTON, MASS. THE 12TH VICTORY WAS SCORED BY A PILOT WHO FAILED TO RETURN.

JR9 AEW

VATICAN CITY. APRIL 2- AP- Robert Jackson, senior duty director general for the United Nations Releif and Rehabilitaion Administration, was received today by Pope Pius for a 20-minute audience. Jackson is on a tour of various European countries.

IN ORDER TO DELAY DISASTER ON THE EASTERN FRONT THE NAZI HIGH COMMAND THREW ALL ITS EXISTING RESERVES INTO THE EAST, TO BARE THE WESTERN FRONT, " GALACTIANOV ADDED,

SUMMING UP. HE SAID "THESE ARE THE FACTS WHICH SHOW WHY THE GERMANS COULD NOT OFFER SERIOUS RESISTANCE ON THE SIEGFRIED NO KIND OF OPPOSITION TO ALLIE LINE. IN SEVERAL SECTORS THERE WAS EVEN ON SUCH A LARGE WATERWAY AS THE RHINE. THE GERMANS HAVE RESISTED FIERCELY ON EVERY SECTOR OF THE EASTERN FRONT AND JUDGING FROM THIS EXPERIENCE WE HAD EXPECTED RESISTANCE IN THE WEST."

WM236PEW

MADRID, APRIL 2-(AP)-GENERALISSIMO FRANCO, LASHING OUT AT FOREIGN CRITICISM OF HIS GOVERNMENT, SAID TODAY IT WAS PART OF A CAMPAIGN LAUNCHED AGAINST SPAIN EVERY TIME THE NATION ATTEMPTED TO STRENGTHEN HERSELF AND UNITE HER PEOPLE.

*WE SPANIARDS MUST CONTINUE OUR GREAT TASK OF RECONSTRUCTION AND RESURRECTION X X X PAYING NO ATTENTION TO WHAT IS SAID ABOUT US ABROAD, " THE SPANISH CHIEF OF STATE TOLD MEMBERS OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT WHO VISITED HIM IN CELEBRATION OF THE SIXTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE NATIONALIST CAPTURE OF MADRID.

DISCUSSING FOREIGN CRITICS, FRANCO ACCUSED THEM OF INCONSISTENCIES AND SAID THE ATTACKS NOW, LIKE THOSE AGAINST THE MONARCHY, WERE MADE BECAUSE "SPAIN WAS ESTABLISHING INDUSTRIES AND HAD NO

UNEMPLOYED, BECAUSE SPAIN WAS BEGINNING TO RISE."
FRANCO REFERRED FREQUENTLY TO THE NECESSITY OF MAINTAINING ORDER WITHIN THE COUNTRY AND COMMENTED "WE WILL GIVE NO MORE LIBERTY THAN ORDER PERMITS, FOR DISORDER MEANS AN END TO ALL LIBERTY." HE APPEALED FOR NATIONAL UNITY AND DECLARED "A UNITED NATION NEED FEAR NO DANGER." EV1151PEW

THE CONVOY CONSISTING OF TWO SUPPLY SHIPS ESCORTED BY TWO SUB-CHASERS WAS CONTACTED MARCH 26, THE WAR BULLETIN SAID. THE DESTROYERS SANK ONE SUPPLY SHIP AND THE TWO ESCORT VESSELS WHILE BOMBS FROM AN RAF LIBERATOR ACCOUNTED FOR THE SECOND SUPPLY SHIP.

HEADOL STERS 20TH BOMBER COMMAND, INDIA, APRIL 2-(AP)-THE
DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS HAS BEEN AWARDED TO THESE SUPERFORTRESS CREWMEN FOR OUTSTANDING AND MERITORIOUS ACHIEVEMENT WHILE PARTICIPATING IN OPERATIONAL AND COMBAT FLIGHTS FROM 20TH APR
BOMBER COMMAND BASES IN INDIA AND WESTERN CHINA:
LT. COL. WILLIAM C. KINGSBURY, 711 LINDA VISTA STREET, REDLANDS,

CALIF: LT. HAROLD L. HARRY, RFD 1, HILLSBORO, ILL; CAPT. ROBERT H. GAUGHAN, 246 WEST MORRIS STREET, INDIANAPOLIS: STAFF SERGEANT HAROLD E. EKSTROM, 1538 16TH AVENUE EAST, HIBBING, MINN; STAFF SERGEANT VERNON H. WILKINING, BOX 126, GRASSTON, MINN., AND TECHNICAL SERGEANT THOMAS E. PAYNE, 309 SOUTH CENTRAL, CUSHING, OKLA.
THE FOLLOWING WERE AWARDED THE BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE

AIR MEDAL:

LT. JACK C. BARNES, 482 THESTA, FRESNO, CALIF; LT. ROBERT HAGENBUCH, 718 SOUTH GLENDALE AVENUE, GLENDALE, CALIF; STAFF SERGEAU ROBERT S. MARTIN, 429 SOUTH BETTY AVENUE, LOS ANGELES; STAFF SERGEANT SAMUEL G. FARRAR, FORT COLLINS, COLO; LT. HARRY L. ZEMBAL, 1262 AUGUSTA BLVD., CHICAGO; STAFF SERGEANT LYNN L. JOHNSON, LAMONI, IA; STAFF SERGEANT ROBERT D.RAWSON, SWAN, IA; SERGEANT WILLIAM W. TREMAIN, 1817 ELLIS BLVD, CEDAR RAPIDS, IA; CAPT. MILES B. THOMAS. 348 SOUTH FEREE STREET WANSAS CITY, KANS IT. GIFN D. STAFF SERGEANT B. THOMAS, 348 SOUTH FEREE STREET, KANSAS CITY, KAN; LT. GLEN D. BERKIHISER, WHITE CITY, KAN.

LT. WALTER K. SIPE JR., 103 WAVERLY COURT, LOUISVILLE, KY; STAFF

SERGEANT JAMES H. WESTFALL, 15702 METTETAL, DETROIT: LT. EDWIN I. MANN, 2101 ERIE, STREET, NORTH KANSAS CITY, MO; STAFF SERGEANT DUOYNE
L. MCCULLOUGH, JOPLIN, MO; LT. LEONARD A.LAMPERT, 1908 GOODRICH AVENUE,
ST.PAUL, MINN; LT. MAX V.LEAVITT, 307 NORTH 9TH STREET, LAS VEGAS,
NEV; CAPT. EDWARD A. FULLER, 109 NORTH CRITTENDEN AVENUE, MANGUM,
OKLA; TECHNICAL SERGEANT JOHN M. MCKAIN, 317 NORTH BYRD STREET,
COALGATE, OKLA; STAFF SERGEANT JAMES I CATTERFIELD PRAPSON, OKLA; COALGATE, OKLA: STAFF SERGEANT JAMES L. SATTERFIELD, PEARSON, OKLA; LT. DAVID S. HARMONY, 509 SOUTH INDEPENDENCE, SAPULA, OKLA.

PFC. WALTER E. MILLER, 216 SUSQUEHANNA AVE. WEST, PITTSBURGH;
STAFF SERGEANT JAMES G. GLESSNER, 326 SOUTH 15TH STREET, HARRISBURG,
PA; CAPT. THOMAS S. CLARK, SPRINGFIELDS, S.D.; LT. GEORGE E. HAIR,
SPEARFISH, S.D.; TECHNICAL SERGEANT WILLIAM F. TAYLOR; CROCKETT,
TEX.; MAJOR PERIER A. KOENIG, 1019 CONGRESS, DENTON, TEX; FLIGHT
OFFICER LAVERNE P. FOWLER, 1918 8TH AVENUE, WICHITA FALLS, TEX;
TECHNICAL SERGEANT ALERED C. SPLUEY, RED 1. BROWNHOOD, TEX: AND TECHNICAL SERGEANT ALFRED C. SPIVEY, RFD 1, BROWNWOOD, TEX.; AND STAFF SERGEANT WYLIE R. BEATY, CARTHAGE, TEX.

THE FOLLOWING WERE AWARDED THE AIR MEDAL: SERGEANT MALCOLM E. DERRYBERRY, BOX 541, CHICO, CALIF.: LT. CARL
B. MOORE, 6620 DREXEL AVENUE, CHICAGO; LT. EDWARD J. NOWACKI, 121
NORTH CLIVE STREET, SOUTH BEND, IND.; STAFF SERGEANT DAVID W. CAPSHAW,
1800 NORTH COURTLAND, KOKOMO, IND., LT. DONALD E. CHAMBERS, ANDERSON,
IOWA; LT. WILLIAM R. JOHNSON, 4806 PALMER STREET, DEARBORN, MICH.;
STAFF SERGEANT PAUL GERSHONE, 2100 18TH AVENUE, MINNEAPOLIS;
SERGEANT HAVDON G. BRICGS, 502 FAST CREEN STREET, CALLUP, N. MEY. SERGEANT HAYDON G. BRIGGS, 502 EAST GREEN STREET, GALLUP, N.MEX:
LT. THOMAS E. SAMPLE JR., 7206 AVENUE "B", HOUSTON, TEX.: AND SERGEANT
HERBERT B. WALKER, 4200 NORTH STATE LINE, TEXARKANA, TEX. M422AEW

AND CALEUTTA HOPUP XXX PORT SEATON HEADQUARTERS 20TH BONDER CONNER, SELA, APRIL 2-(AP)-SERGEANT CHAP W.BINSON, BETHEL, VI., HAS BEEN AWARDED THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS FOR OUTSTANDING AND MERITORIOUS ACHIEVEMENT WHILE PARTICIPATING IN SUPERFORTRESS OPERATIONAL AND COMBAT FLIGHTS FROM BASES IN INDIA AND WESTERN CHINA.

> THE FOLLOWING WERE AWARDED THE BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE AIR MEDAL:

> STAFF SERGEANT LOUIS DILAURENZIO, 238 SCOTT STREET, NAUGATUCK, AND STAFF SERGEANT M. DRUMMOND, 85 SILVER STREET, WATERVILLE.

THE FOLLOWING WERE AWARDED THE AIR MEDAL:

LT. RALPH S. BRALEY, 109 COLLEGE AVENUE, WATERVILLE, MAINE: LT. DONALD J. MIMEAU, 44 ISHAM STREET, BURLINGTON, VT.

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MEADQUARTERS 20TH BONDER COMMAND, INDIA, APRIL 2-(AP)-THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS HAS BEEN ANARDED TO THESE SUPERFORTRESS CREWNEN FOR UTSTANDING AND MERITORIOUS ACHIEVENENT WHILE PARTICIPATING IN OPERATIONAL AND COMBAT FLIGHTS FROM 20TH BOMBER COMMAND BASES IN

INDIA AND WESTERN CHINA:

MAJOR GARTH E. DOYLE, BTD 2, BRINKLEY, ARK.; LT. SHELLIE M. GREEN, 716 16TH STREET, MANATIC, FLA; LT. LEVIS H. GRAY, 1400 CLARK STREET, OLD HICKORY, TENN; MAJOR CHARLES R. MALLORY, 300 HENRY CLAY ROAD, ASHLAND, VA., AND STAFF SERGEANT IRVING N. SHITH, BLUEFIELD, W.VA.

THE FOLLOWING WERE AWARDED THE BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE AIR MEDAL:

STAFF SERGEANT THOMAS L. HARTIN, VIOLA, ARK; CAPT. JIH W. EVANS, 1845 PERICLES STREET, BATON BOUGE, LA; CORPORAL GEORGE D. SMITH, 536 CONNELL STREET, BATON ROUGE; IT. JULIAN T. BRICE JR., 1813 SOUTH ROAD, BALTIMORE, AND LT. JACK T. BILLINGS, 2299 JEFFERSON STREET, HEMPHIS. THE FOLLOWING WERE AWARDED THE AIR MEDAL:

STAFF SERGEANT THOMAS L. HARTIN, VIOLA, ARK., AND LT. ROBERT H. GLENN, RFD 2, ANDERSON, S.C.

MASSAFE

CHUNGKING: April 2. *AP- Chinese communists will have one representative on the Chinese delegation attending the San Francisco conference, instead of the three they asked for, it was efficially announced today.

Tun Pi-Wa, formerly the communists' "ambassador" at Chungking, will travel to the conference for the communists as one of the delegation of about 50, including advisors and secretaries.

It was announced that the communists had accepted the invitation of the government for only one representative.

SOME OKINAWA CIVILIANS WERE DRIFTING BACK FROM HILL HIDEOUTS TO PASS PEACEFULLY THROUGH AMERICAN LINES.

BRIG.GEN. DAVID H.BLAKELOCK OF WASHINGTON, D.C., SAID THE IMMENSE STORES OF SUPPLIES MOVING ONTO THE BEACHHEAD INCLUDED FOOD FOR THE OKINAWANS, SUFFICIENT TO PROVIDE THE POPULATION WITH 300 TONS DAILY.

THE JAPANESE HAD RETREATED FROM THE INVADED COAST INTO THE RUGGED HILLS.

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FLEET ADM. CHESTER W. NIMITZ' MONDAY COMMUNIQUE, COVERING THE FIRST DAY OF THE INVASION, SAID THE WEST COAST BEACHHEAD-BETWEEN KATEMA AND THE CAPITAL CITY OF NAHA--WAS EXPANDED TO A THREE-MILE DEPTH AT POINTS. Brattm MET DO LITER AT THE DE

THE 65-MILE-LONG OKINAWA IS ABOUT LIGHT MILES WIDE AT THE BEACH-HEAD. THE IMPORTANT JAPANESE NAKAGUSUKU BAY NAVAL BASE, TOWARD

WHICH THE YANKS ARE DRIVING, IS ON THE EASTERN SIDE.
THIS EXCELLENT HARBOR WOULD GIVE THE U.S. PACIFIC FLEET AND THE
BRITISH TASK FORCE WHICH PARTICIPATED IN THE PRE-INVASION ATTACKS ALONG THE RYUKYUS A NEW ADVANCED POSITION FROM WHICH TO OPERATE.

MAJOR AIRFIELDS AT KATENA AND YONTAN FELL ALMOST INTACT TO THE AMERICANS WITHIN THE FIRST TWO HOURS OF THE INVASION. STEPS WERE TAKEN TO PUT THEM TO IMMEDIATE USE.

ONE OF THE FIELDS WAS SEIZED SO QUICKLY THAT A JAPANESE DIVEBOMBER LANDED AMONG ASTONISHED MARINE SENTRIES. HE WAS KILLED ATTEMPTING

THE OTHER MAJOR OKINAWA AIRFIELD IS JUST SOUTH OF NAHA. TWO OTHERS, WHICH THE JAPANESE HAD UNDER CONSTRUCTION, ARE AT ITOMAN, ALSO SOUTH OF NAHA, AND AT YONABARU ON THE CENTRAL

EASTERN COAST. "IT IS DIFFICULT TO OVEREMPHASIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS OPERA-TION, DECLARED BUCKNER, WHOSE TENTH ARMY INCLUDES THE 24TH ARMY CORPS AND THIRD MARINE 'AMPHIBIOUS CORPS.

"FINAL DECISIVE VICTORY IS ASSURED," DECLARED NIMITZ AS HE PERSONALLY READ THE FIRST INVASION COMMUNIQUE AT PACIFIC FLEET HEADQUARTERS HERE, POINTING OUT PARTICULARLY THE ENHANCED PROSPECTS OF ATTACKING AND BLOCKADING THE JAPANESE MAINLAND.

MORE THAN 1,400 SHIPS TOOK PART IN THE AMPHIBIOUS OPERATION NIMITZ SAID IN OFFICIALLY DECLARING IT THE "LARGEST" IN THE PACIFIC

AMAZEMENT AT THE EASE OF THE FIRST STAGES OF THE OPERATION WAS EXPRESSED BY BUCKNER, FORMER COMMANDER OF THE ARMY'S ALASKAN DEPART-MENT, AND HIS TWO PRINCIPAL GROUND FORCE COMMANDERS, MAJ.GEN.JOHN R. HODGE OF THE 24TH CORPS AND MAJ. GEN. ROY S. GEIGER OF THE

ADM.R.A. SPRUANCE, COMMANDER OF THE U.S. FIFTH FLEET, IS THE

OVERALL TACTICAL COMMANDER OF THE OPERATION. VICE ADM. RICHMOND KELLY TURNER, WHO HAS PUT MEN ASHORE IN INVASIONS FROM GUADALCANAL TO IWO JIMA, IS COMMANDER OF THE AMPHIB-IOUS FORCES.

AN IMPERIAL JAPANESE COMMUNIQUE, BROADCAST MONDAY BY TOKYO RADIO, ADMITTED THE AMERICANS HAD LANDED REINFORCEMENTS ON OKINAWA. THE

COMMUNIQUE CLAIMED "FIERCE FIGHTING IS RAGING" AND THAT 41 SHIPS

OF THE AMPHIBIOUS FORCE HAD BEEN SUNK.

MIMITZ' REPORTED THAT UP TO 6 P.M. OF SUNDAY (4 A.M. SUNDAY, EWT)

"ENEMY RESISTANCE CONTINUED TO BE LIGHT" AND THAT FOUR ENEMY PLANES

ATTACKING THE U.S. SURFACE FORCES HAD BEEN SHOT DOWN. HE MADE NO MENTION OF ANY AMERICAN LOSSES.

ASSOCIATED PRESS CORRESPONDENT VERN HAUGLAND, ABOARD THE AMPHIB-IOUS FORCE FLAGSHIP; REPORTED THE INVADING TROOPS WERE HALFWAY ACROSS THE ISLAND BY NIGHTFALL SUNDAY AT TWO POINTS--EAST OF KATENA AIRFIELD AND EAST OF CHATAN VILLAGE, A COUPLE OF MILES TO THE SOUTH.

GG255PCW NM ASHORE WITH THE INFANTRY, COONS RADIOED:

AMERICAN INVADERS ENJOYED THE EASIEST INVASION NIGHT IN THE WHOLE
PACIFIC WAR--MYSTIFYINGLY EASY. IN CONTRAST TO THE USUAL ENEMY-MADE
HELL OF MORTAR, ARTILLERY AND COUNTERASSAULT, THE NIGHT WAS MARKED
BY THE SLIGHTEST OF ACTION. TYPICALLY, ONE UNIT REPORTED THAT ONLY
A SINGLE MORTAR BURST WAS FIRED IN ITS DIRECTION DURING THE A SINGLE MORTAR BURST WAS FIRED IN ITS DIRECTION DURING THE

BY THE SLIGHTEST OF ACTION. TYPICALLY, ONE UNIT REPORTED THAT ONLY A SINGLE MORTAR BURST WAS FIRED IN ITS DIRECTION DURING THE ENTIRE PERIOD OF DARKNESS.

A JAPANESE IMPERIAL COMMUNIQUE ASSERTED "FURIOUS FIGHTING IS

RAGING" AND CLAIMED 41 INVASION VESSELS, RANGING FROM A
BATTLESHIP TO "LANDING TRANSPORTS", HAD BEEN SUNK OR DAMAGED.

LEIF ERICKSON, ASSOCIATED PRESS CORRESPONDENT--VETERAN OF
SEVERAL PACIFIC INVASIONS--SPECULATED THE JAPANESE MAY MAKE THEIR BIG DEFENSIVE STAND IN HILLS MIDWAY ACROSS THE ISLAND. FLYING OVER THE BEACHHEAD FOR TWO HOURS IN A NAVY PHOTOGRAPHIC PLANE, HE SAID HE SAW NOT ONE JAPANESE SOLDIER EVEN THOUGH HIS PILOT CMDR. A. DONALD FRASER, VENTURA, CALIF., WENT AS LOW AS 500 FEET.
INVASION OF THE RYUKYUS ACTUALLY PEGAN ONE WEEK AGO, MARCH 26,

WHEN 77TH ARY DIVIDION I

INVASION OF THE RYUKYUS ACTUALLY BEGAN ONE WEEK AGO, MARCH 26, WHEN 77TH ARMY DIVIDION INFANTRYMEN UNDER MAJ.GEN. ANDREW D. BRUCE SEIZED THE EIGHT ISLANDS IN THE KERAMA RHETTO GROUP A FEW MILES

OFF THE SOUTHWESTERN TIP OF OKINAWA.

THE JAPANESE, WHO FOR DAYS HAD FORECAST AN INVASION OF OKINAWA HAD PREPARED HUNDREDS OF SMALL DEMOLITION BOATS FOR SUICIDAL ATTACKS ON THE INVASION FLEET. THESE CRAFT, 18 TO 20 FEET LONG AND HEAVILY LOADED WITH TORPEDOES AND DEPTH CHARGES, WERE DESIGNED TO RAM TRANSPORTS OR WARSHIPS. THEY COULD HAVE DONE GREAT DAMAGE. THREE HUNDRED OF THESE SMALL CRAFT WERE CAPTURED INTACT ALTHOUGH

THE JAPANESE DID THEIR BEST TO DESTROY THEM NEARLY 200 CIVILIANS IN THE KERAMAS COMMITTED SUICIDE RATHER THAN

FACE AMERICAN TROOPS, WHO HAD BEEN PORTRAYED TO THEM AS BRUTAL

BARBARIANS.

CPL.ALEXANDER ROBERTS, ARMY PHOTOGRAPHER FROM (39 W.67TH ST.) NEW YORK CITY, SAID HE SAW AN APPALLING PILE OF DEAD AND "AT LEAST 40 WOMEN AND CHILDREN STRANGLED WITH STRIPS FORN FROM THEIR TATTERED CLOTHING. DOZENS HAD KILLED THEMSELVES WITH GRENADES." SF/PM101APW

SOBE -- FIRST ADD HAUGLAND'S OKINAWA CIVILIANS X X X DATE (TOP ON AAA) 000 by AMONG INTERPRETERS HELPING WITH THE CIVILIANS WERE TWO ARMY

PRIVATES FROM HAWAII. THESE JAPANESE AMERICANS SAID:

"THEY ARE COOPERATING VERY WELL. THIS MORNING WE HAD QUITE A TIME INDUCING A CROWD TO COME OUT OF A CAVE. THEY S'AID THEY HAD BEEN TOLD THEY WOULD BE TORTURED WITH NEEDLES. NOW THEY SEEM TO BE HAPPY TO BE SAFE -- FROM THE WAY THEY ARE CHIPPING IN TO CLEAN UP RUBBISH, WASH CLOTHES AND MAKE THINGS LIVEABLE.

"THEY ARE VERY LOW GRADE PEASANTS FOR THE MOST PART -- A PITIFUL LOT WHO DIDN'T EXPECT KIND TREATMENT."

ANOTHER INTERPRETER, MARINE 1ST LT.ROGER F.HACKETT OF (120 WAYNE PLACE) WASHINGTON D.C. A CAPLETON COLLEGE CRAPHATE HAD LIVED

PLACE) WASHINGTIN, D.C., A CARLETON COLLEGE GRADUATE WHO LIVED IN KOBE 15 YEARS, SAID THE CIVILIANS TOLD HIM THEY WERE AFRAID OF JAPANESE SOLDIERS WHO NEVER TOLD THEM ANYTHING AND HAD LITTLE DEAL-INGS WITH THEM.

THE VILLAGE ALSO HAD WHAT APPARENTLY WAS ONCE A FORMAL GARDEN WITH STONE STEPS LEADING TO AN OUTDOOR SWIMMING POOL. BEYOND THE TOWN WAS A TYPICAL OKINAWA CHECKERBOARD OF HANDKERCHIEF-SIZED GARDENS --

TINY FIELDS OF ONIONS, LETTUCE

WAS A TYPICAL OKINAWA CHECKERBOARD OF HANDKERCHIEF-SIZED GARDENS --TINY FIELDS OF ONIONS, LETTUCE, CABBAGES AND ROOT CROPS -- AND A SCATTERING OF THICK CONCRETE TOMBS IN WHICH STAND ORNATE URNS CONTAIN-ING ASHES OF THE DEAD.

IN A COUNTRY YARD BEFORE ONE LARGE TOMB MARINE CAPT. DUNCAN MCRAE. OF MCRAE, GA., HAD SET UP AN EMERGENCY HOSPITAL WITH A MAN SUFFERING A CORAL SCRATCHED LEG AND ANOTHER WITH A SORE LIP HIS ONLY PATIENTS.

FJ201101 Super lort Ketuyning trom Olinava (Boyle) x The THE SPOT NEWS TRANSMISSION WAS MADE POSSIBLE BY CAPTAIN HAROLD B. (MIN) MILLER, NAVY PACIFIC PRESS CHIEF, AND COMMANDERS OF

THE 21ST BOMBER COMMAND.

RABIO TECHNICIAN CLARKE SANDERS, SAN FRANCISCO, WORKED FOR SEVERAL DAYS WITH STAFF SGT. EDWARD BERNZOTT, 5567 SURREY AVENUE, BRIBGETOWN, CINCINNATI, OHIO, THE CREW RADIO OPERATOR, AND OTHERS EQUIPPING THE PLANE FOR ITS SPECIAL BUTY.

LT.A.P.MILLS, 1235 PARK AVENUE, NEW YORK CITY, VOLUNTEERED TO TAKE THE FLIGHT AS CENSOR.

OUR PLANE COMMANDER IS LT.JOHN PICKEREL, 31, MARION, OHIO, VETERAN OF 17 B-29 MISSIONS TO JAPAN. THIS IS PICKEREL'S THIRD TOUR OVERSEAS. HE FFLEW MORE THAN 1,000 HOURS ON ANTI-SUBMARINE PATROL IN THE CARIBBEAN AND MEDITERRANEAN.

OTHERS IN PICKEREL'S CREW AND ALSO VETERANS OF 17 MISSIONS OVER NIPPON INCLUBED: LT. GEORGE NOONE, 20, 38 MARION ST., LYNN, MASS., BOMBARBIER, WHO CAME ALONG AS NOSE GUNNER; LT.JOHN E. BYLANDER, 26, BERESFORB, SOUTH BAKOTA, FLIGHT ENGINEER; STAFF SGT. NICHOLAS TALBOT, 30, EDMONSON RIBGE ROAD, CATONSVILLE, MD., INSTRUMENT OPERATOR; SOT. LEROY BALZARINI, 5507 GRAND, BETROIT, MICH., TAIL GUNNER; AND SGT. CHARLES ANDERSON, 25, 605 NORTH JACKSON, HARRISBURG, ILL., SIDE GUNNER.

DESPITE IDENTIFICATION APPARATUS ON OUR PLANE WE DREW ANTI-AIRCRAFT FIRE THREE OR FOUR TIMES AND QUICKLY VEERED AWAY WHILE WAITING FOR SUNRISE.

A CHANEY, A NATIVE OF CHANEY, MARYLAND, WAS GRADUATED FROM WEST POINT IN 1908 AND HAS SERVED IN THE PHILIPPINES, FRANCE, THE ROME EMBASSY, AS COMMANDANT OF THE ARMY FLYING SCHOOLS AT BROOKS AND KELLY FIELDS, TEXAS, COMMANDANT OF MITCHELL FIELD, N.Y., COMMANDING GENERAL OF THE FIRST AIR FORCE, WITH THE CHIEF OF STAFF IN WASHINGTON AND WITH AMBASSADOR HARRIMAN IN THE SOVIET UNION. MOORE, OF SHREVEPORT, LA., IS 36 AND A VETERAN FIGHTER PILOT. HE HAS BEEN ON DUTY IN THE CENTRAL PACIFIC SINCE AUGUST, 1939 AND STAFF OFFICER OF THE HAWAIIAN AIRFORCE SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THE WAR. HE IS A NATIVE OF CARRUTHERSVILLE, MO. HIS WIFE AND DAUGHTER LIVE IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

BY VERN HAUGLAND

OKINAWA, APRIL 2-(AP)-OKINAWA NOTES: DESPITE A LACK OF RESISTANCE TO THE OKINAWA LANDING THERE IS NO DISPOSITION HERE TO CHANGE THE ORIGINAL ESTIMATE OF 60,000 TO 80,000 JAPANESE TROOPS ON THE ISLAND. ONE SURRENDERING CIVILIAN SAID THERE WERE A 110,000 BUT OFFICERS BELIEVE HE WAS CONFUSING CIVILIAN GROUPS WITH THE MILITARY.

ONE BELIEF IS THAT THE JAPANESE ANTICIPATED A LANDING ON THE SOUTHERN END OF THE ISLAND AROUND NAHA WHEN THE KERAMA ISLANDS WERE TAKEN A FEW DAYS EARLIER AND CONCENTRATED THEIR DEFENSES THERE. THE SLOPES GRADUALLY RISING FROM THE WESTERN LANDING BEACHES WERE POCKED WITH GULLIES, MOUNDS, CAVES AND MANY ANCIENT BURIAL TOMBS WHICH WOULD HAVE MADE PERFECT MACHINE GUN NESTS BUT THEY WERE NOT SO EMP LOYED.

TOWARD THE SOUTHERN OR RIGHT FLANK, SOME JAPANESE PROOPS WERE SEEN FROM AIRPLANES RETREATING UP GULLIES. IT WAS THE ONLY COMPLETE

ENEMY UNIT SEEN.

A JAPANESE WOMAN SAID THE CIVILIANS HAD READ AMERICAN WARNING LEAFLETS AND WERE MOVING NORTHWARD OUT OF THE THICKLY POPULATED SOUTHERN END.

EXTREMELY RUGGED TERRAIN WITH MANY LIMESTONE SPIRES AND CAVES LAY AHEAD OF THE TROOPS IN THE CHATAN BULGE, WHICH THEY MUST TAKE TO CUT THE ENEMY SONDREDERNEANS SOUTHERNEMBESESMENT BY SHELLING THE #9 AND WITH FORTY ROUNDS OF 130 MM. SHELLS THE NIGHT OF MARCH 31.

WHENWHEN TENTHANAM UNDVIORNEDITHERN ADMODULAREATSLESHIDE TESSING

ITIS ZADROUDNAKE ESEMTURSE OF THE HARA I BETWEENGUNS GORMANAGROUP AND OKINAWA,

THEENSEANTBE SAPANESE QUICKLY.

KEISE PROVED ITS VALUE IN ANOTHER MANNER WHEN A LANDING FIELD WAS BUILT ALONG THE BEACH AND PIPER CUBS WERE OPERATING FROM IT BY MIDMORNING EASTER.

TOWARD THE SOUTHERN OR RIGHT FLANK OF THE OKINAWA BEACHHEADS, TANK TRAPS EVERY THOUSAND YARDS SLOWED PROGRESS. PM340APW

BY VERN HAUGLAND ABOARD AMPHIBIOUS FLAGSHIP OFF OKINAWA, APRIL 2-(AP)-ARMY AND MARINE FRONT LINES WERE 3,000 TO 5,000 YARDS INLAND BY NIGHTFALL EASTER SUNDAY WITH THE BEACHHEAD SECURED FROM SMALL ARMS FIRE. AMERICAN TROOPS, HALFWAY ACROSS THE ISLAND IN TWO PLACES, CONFINED JAPANESE NORTH-SOUTH TRAFFIC TO THE EASTERN SHORE. LT. GEN. SIMON BOLIVAR BUCKNER, JR., COMMANDING ARMY FORCES
IN THE OPERATION, SAID "WE NOW HAVE AN EXCELLENT BEACHHEAD."
THE TWO POINTS OF FARTHEST ADVANCE WERE EAST OF KATENA AIRFIELD
AND EAST OF CHATAN VILLAGE A COUPLE MILES TO THE SOUTH. THE
ADVANCE FROM CHATAN WAS ACROSS THE NARROWEST NECK OF OKINAWA.
MEANWHILE, THE JAPANESE RADIO CONTINUED TO BROADCAST FANTASTIC CLAIMS OF SINKING OR DAMAGING OVER A HUNDRED AMERICAN VESSELS. GENERAL BUCKNER AND VICE ADMIRAL RICHMOND KELLY TURNER, COMMANDER OF AMPHIBIOUS FORCES, APPROVED THE ENEMY BROADCASTS AS TENDING TO BRING THE JAPANESE TO BELIEVE THEIR OWN LIES, THUS QUICKENING THEIR OWN DEFEAT AS HAS HAPPENED SEVERAL TIMES.

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BY VERN HAUGLAND OKINAWA, APRIL 2-(AP)-VICE ADM. RICHMOND KELLY TURNER,
COMMANDER OF AMPHIBIOUS FORCES IN THE OKINAWA INVASION, SAID TODAY
CAPTURE OF OKINAWA WOULD CUT THE LIFTLINE TO JAPANESE FORCES IN CHINA
BY BLOCKADING TRAFFIC UP THE YANGTZE RIVER.
CONQUERING THE ISLAND, KE SAID, WOULD "TAKE TIME AND WON'T
BE EASY GOING. WE ARE GOING TO HAVE LOSSES, BUT IN THIS FORWARD

MOVEMENT TOWARD OUR ULTIMATE OBJECTIVE WE FEEL WE CAN AFFORD LOSSES."
"OKINAWA'S CAPTURE," HE SAID, "WILL CUT OFF JAPAN'S
TRAFFIC TO THE SOUTH AND FOR THE FIRST TIME WILL SHUT OFF TRAFFIC UP

THE YANGTZE RIVER EXCEPT BY SUBMARINE. THE YANGTZE RIVER IS TO A LARGE EXTENT THE LIFELINE OF THE JAPANESE ARMY IN CHINA."

TURNER SAID CONTACTS WITH THE BRITISH FLEET HAD NOT YET BEEN VERY CLOSE "BUT I CAN SAY THERE ARE NO PROBLEMS OF COOPERATION BETWEEN THE SERVICES. WHAT PROBLEMS WE HAVE ARE PROBLEMS OF CO-OPERATION BY PERSONS."

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OKINAWA, RYUKYU ISLANDS, APRIL 1 (DELAYED)-(AP)-AMERICAN TROOPS INVADING OKINAWA CARRIED "MADE IN AMERICA" YEN NOTES FIXED AT

TEN CENTS TO A YEN.

BRITISH PARTICIPANTS IN THE OPERATION, POSSIBLY THINKING OF
INVESTMENTS, SAID THEY HOPED TO SEE THE YEN VALUED EVENTUALLY AT
AROUND 25 CENTS WHICH IS ONE CENT UNDER THE PRE-WAR PRICE AT
WHICH THE JAPANESE PEGGED IT AND SEVERAL CENTS BELOW THE PRE-WAR OPEN MARKET PRICE.

MAJ.GEN.FRED C.WALLACE, MCMINNVILLE, TENN., SUPERVISING
THE FINANCIAL ASPECT OF THE INVASION, EXPLAINED THE VALUE WAS ABIRRARILY FIXED FOR INVASION PURPOSES AND WAS NO ATTEMPT TO SET A
PRECEDENT. HE EXPLAINED THAT AMERICAN TROOPS WERE GIVEN FROM
\$10 TO \$15 WORTH OF AMERICAN-PRINTED YEN TO PREVENT ANY U.S.
CURRENCY FROM FALLING INTO JAPANESE HANDS.
FINANCE OFFICER COL HIRAM P. TURNER, AURORA, IND. (WHOSE

FINANCE OFFICER COL.HIRAM P.TURNER, AURORA, IND. (WHOSE WIFE LIVES AT LEXINGTON, N.C.) WILL PAY ALL TROOPS ON OKINAWA HENCEFORTH IN YEN.

GGRARACW NM

WITH ADMIRAL MITSCHER'S TASK FORCE, APRIL 2-(VIA NAVY RADIO)-(AP)-THERE IS NO QUESTION ABOUT WHO WAS THE FIRST AMERICAN TO INVADE OKINAWA.

IT WAS 1ST LT. FREDERICK MICHAEL FOX. CARRIER FIGHTER PILOT WHO LANDED -- INVOLUNTARILY -- A WEEK AGO. HIS FIGHTER PLANE HAD BEEN DAMAGED WHILE HE WAS ATTACKING A JAPANESE POSITION.

ANTI-AIRCRAFT FIRE FORCED THE PLANE OUT OF CONTROL.

TEMPORARILY, AND IT COLLIDED WITH A BOMBER. FOX GAINED SUFFICIENT CONTROL TO MAKE A CRASH LANDING NEAR KADENA AIRFIELD ON THE ISLAND'S WEST COAST.

THE PLANE EXPLODED, BUT HE SCAMPERED TO A CAVE, UNSEEN BY THE JAPANESE. HE REMAINED THERE UNTIL HE COULD SIGNAL FOR RESCUE.

A SEAPLANE PICKED HIM UP THREE DAYS AFTER HE LANDED. FOX IS 27 AND UNMARRIED. HE IS A SON OF LEWIS H. FOX OF

BATESBURG, S.C. XZ536ACW

BY JAMES LINDSLEY

ON OKINAWA BEACHHEAD, RYUKYU ISLANDS, APRIL 1-(DELAYED)-(AP)-THERE WERE NO DEAD ON OKINAWA'S SANDY BEACHHEAD WHEN I

LANDED THERE THIS EASTER AFTERNOON.

MARINES. UNTOUCHED BY ENEMY STEEL, WERE PRESSING AFTER A FOE
THEY HADN'T BEEN ABLE TO FIND. THE ONLY TRACE OF DEATH I SAW WAS
A DIMINUTIVE OKINAWAN HORSE, ITS LEGS STICKING GROTESQUELY OUTWARD.
MARINE OFFICERS WERE BAFFLED BY THE LACK OF RESISTANCE TO THE
LANDING. ELABORATE PLANS HAD BEEN MADE FOR RIDDING THE BEACHES AND
INNER AREAS OF MINE FIELDS. BUT NO ONE WITH WHOM I TALKED HAD
SEEN A MINE OR HEARD OF ANYONE BEING INJURED BY ONE.
OKINAWA'S AIRFIELDS WILL BE SO VALUABLE TO THE UNITED STATES
IN BLASTING JAPAN THE ENEMY HAD BEEN EXPECTED TO PUT UP A FANATICAL

IN BLASTING JAPAN THE ENEMY HAD BEEN EXPECTED TO PUT UP A FANATICAL FIGHT. IT WAS ENVISIONED AS A SECOND IWO JIMA. STILL FRESH IN-THE MINDS OF MARINES WHERE THREE OF THEIR DIVISIONS WERE BADLY

THE MARINES THINK OKINAWA'S JAPANESE ARE PLANNING SOME SURPRISE

ACTION.

SGT. ED. MCNALLY, SCRANTON, PA., TOOK TIME OUT FROM HUNTING SOUVENIRS TO REMARK THAT HE WASN'T EVEN AFRAID OF BOOBY TRAPS AND WAS ROOTING AROUND EVERYWHERE.

T/5 E. L. CHADIMA, CLEVELAND, O., VETERAN OF THE PACIFIC.
SAID HE WAS SCARED WHEN HE CAME ASHORE "BECAUSE I KNOW HOW BAD AN
AMPHIBIOUS LANDING CAN BE."

SGT. B. W. WATTENBARGER, SAN BERNARDINO, CALIF., A TANK MAN, SAID HE HAD HEARD OF ONLY ONE CASUALTY -- WHEN A TANK OVER-TURNED ON A REEF.

I HAVE MY OWN EXPLANATION OF THE JAPANESE LACK OF RESISTANCE.
I THINK THEY HAVE BEEN READING THE SAME LITERATURE ABOUT THE ISLAND

THAT I HAVE AND DECIDED IT WASN'T WORTH KEEPING.

ACCORDING TO THESE SOURCES THE ISLAND ABOUNDS WITH HIGHLY VENOMOUS SNAKES, ADDERS AND PIT VIPERS AND IS AFFLICTED WITH EVERY DISEASE KNOWN TO MAN.

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BY LISLE SHOEMAKER (200)

REPRESENTING THE COMBINED AMERICAN PRESS ABOARD A NAVY LIBERATOR PHOTO PLANE OVER OKINAWA, APRIL 2-(AP)-TWENTY-ONE THOUSAND FEET BELOW US OKINAWA'S SHORE LOOKED LIKE A PICTURE OF CALIFORNIA BACK COUNTRY AS TRUCKS, JEEPS, ALLIGATORS AND EVERYTHING MOBILE SPEEDED INLAND.

IT IS A BRIGHT SUNSHINY DAY AND YOU HAVE TO LOOK WHAT APPEARS TO BE AT LEAST FIVE MILES BEFORE SEEING WHAT MIGHT BE HEAVY INFANTRY

VILLAGE AFTER VILLAGE APPEAR BELOW US AS PILOT LT. GEORGE

CONOVER, (802 MARY ETTA ST.) MIDDLETOWN, OHIO, WEAVES OUR
BIG PLANE BACK AND FORTH, AND MOST OF THEM ARE BURNED OUT.
NOW I KNOW WHAT B-29 CREWS MEANT WHEN THEY SAID THEY SMELLED
TOKYO BURNING BECAUSE THERE ARE FIRES BELOW US AND BURNED OUT VILLAGES VA. AND THE SMELL IS STRONG UP HERE WHERE I AM PEERING OUT THE BOMBARDIER'S

WINDOW. ONLY 700 FEET BELOW US STREAMS OF MARCHING MEN ARE TRUDGING ALONG WHAT LOOK LIKE GOOD DIRT RUADS. BUT AN AIRFIELD PASSES UNDER US AND YOU SEE WHERE THERE HAS BEEN PLENTY OF WAR--WRECKAGE OF JAP PLANES IS STREWN FROM ONE END TO ANOTHER.

THE BEACH AND INLAND TERRITORY SEEM REMAARKABLY QUIET, AND WELL ORGANIZED AND FROM A HUNDRED SHIPS SMALL BOATS OFFSHORE BRING IN TONS

OF EQUIPMENT.

THERE GOES A STREAM OF DIVE BOMBERS AND NOW UP COMES CLOUDS OF DUST AND SMOKE. WE'VE SEEN NO ACKACK, NO ENEMY FIGHTERS AND IF IT IS FAIR TO JUDGE FROM HERE THE INVASION OF APPROVAGE LIKE IT IS MOVING RAPIDLY, ACCORDING TO SCHEDULE. LIKE IT IS MOVING RAPIDLY, ACCORDING TO SCHEDULE. SF5 16APW NM

BY JAMES STREBIG

BOARD A SEAPLANE TENDER IN KERAMA RETTO, APRIL 2-(AP)-THE LARGEST AND MOST DARING SEAPLANE BASE OPERATION IN HISTORY PRECEDED THE OKINAWA INVASION. THE INVASION SEAPLANE GROUP MOVED BOLDLY INTO ANCHORAGES AMONG THESE SMALL ROCKY ISLANDS WHILE ARMY UNITS STILL WERE BUSY SECURING THEM PRIOR TO THE MAJOR ASSAULT ON OKINAWA.

SEAPLANES AND TENDERS PREVIOUSLY HAVE BEEN CLOSE TO THE HEELS OF INVASION FORCES BUT NEVER BEFORE ARRIVED AHEAD OF THE MAIN

ATTACK.

HOWEVER, THE SIZE OF THE UNDERTAKING, NEARNESS OF THE ENEMY BASES AND REMOTENESS OF AMERICAN AIRBASES INVITED UNUSUAL PLANNING. THE DECISION WAS BASED LARGELY ON KERAMA RETTO'S EXCELLENTLY PRO-TECTED WATERS OFFERING LONG RUNWAYS IN LINE WITH NORMAL WINDS. THE WATERS ALSO PROVIDE SIZABLE ANCHORAGES FOR TRANSPORTS AND OTHER VESSELS FOR USE UNTIL OKINAWA HARBORS ARE SECURED.

THE SERVICE PROVIDED BY THE FLYING BOATS IS ESSENTIAL TO THE SUCCESS OF AN OPERATION SUCH AS THE RYUKYUS INVASION. FLYING BOATS DO RESCUE WORK, EVACUATE INJURED, HAUL MAIL AND NEWS COPY AND PERFORM VARIOUS ODD TASKS FOR WHICH THEY ARE PARTICULARLY ADAPTABLE. XA915ACW NM

GUAM, APRIL 2 (AP)-TWO OFFICERS WHO SERVED WITH LT.GEN.
SIMON BOLIVAR BUCKNER, JR., IN THE ALASKA DEFENSE COMMAND HOLD KEY
STAFF POSITIONS IN BUCKNER'S NEW TENTH ARMY INVADING OKINAWA.

BUCKNER'S CHIEF OF STAFF IS BRIG.GEN.ELWYN D.POST. 46, A NATIVE OF SHELBY, OHIO. HE WAS GRADUATED FROM WEST POINT IN 1923 AND HAS SERVED IN ARMY POSTS IN THE UNITED STATES AND HAWAII.

HE WAS AWARDED THE LEGION OF MERIT FOR HIS WORK AS SERVICE OPER-ATIONS OFFICER IN THE ALASKA DEFENSE COMMAND. HIS WIFE AND TWO

CHILDREN LIVE AT PALO ALTO, CALIF.

BRIG.GEN.LAWRENCE SCHICK, DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF, SERVED
IN THE SAME POST WITH THE ALASKA DEFENSE COMMAND FROM 1941 TO JUNE, 1944. FOR WHICH HE WAS ALSO AWARDED THE LEGION

OF MERIT. SCHICK WAS BORN IN CHICAGO IN 1897 AND APPOINTED TO WEST POINT FROM THE ARMY AMBULANCE SERVICE IN 1918. HIS WIFE AND TWO CHILDREN RESIDE AT

SAN DIEGO. CALIF.
BRIG.GEN.OLIVER P.SMITH WHO COMMANDED THE MARINE BATTALION LANDING IN ICELAND IN JUNE, 1941, IS MARINE DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF FOR GENERAL BUCKNER. HE WAS BORN AT MENARD, TEX. IN 1893 AND COMMISSIONED A SECOND LIEUTENANT OF MARINES IN 1917. HE COMMANDED THE FIFTH MARINE REGIMENT AT TALASEA, NEW BRITAIN, AND WAS ASSISTANT COMMANDER OF THE FIRST MARINE DIVISION AT PELELIU. HIS WIFE AND TWO DAUGHTERS RESIDE AT 3613 GREENWAY PLACE, ALEXANDRIA,

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AN ADVANCE NAVY PATROL BASE IN THE WESTERN PACIFIC, MARCH 31-(DELAYED)-(AP)-MEN WHO FLY SEAPLANES SAY JET ASSISTED TAKEOFFS, KNOWN AS JATO, ANSWER THE DEMANDS OF ROUGH WATER OPERATIONS. STATED SIMPLY, JATO IS A JETTISONABLE ROCKET MOTOR, ATTACHED
TO THE WINGS OR FUSELAGE. IT IS USABLE ON LAND OR CARRIERS AS
WELL AS ON THE WATER FOR LITERALLY THROWING AIRCRAFT INTO FLIGHT.

JATO GOT ITS FIRST EXTENSIVE OPEN SEA TEST WHEN A PATROL SQUADRON
WAS SENT TO IWO JIMA WITH THE INVADERS FOR DUTY UNDER CONDITIONS NORMALLY UNTHINKABLE. LT.COMDR.J.A.MASTERSON, SNOHOMISH,

NORMALLY UNTHINKABLE. LT. COMDR. J. A. MASTERSON, SNOROHISH, WASH., SQUADRON LEADER, SAID IT WOULD HAVE BEEN IMPOSSIBLE TO DO THE JOB WITHOUT JATO.

HIS COMMAND USED THE OLDEST MARTIN MARINERS OPERATING IN THE PACIFIC. HAVING LESS POWERFUL ENGINES THAN LATER MODELS.

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YET THEY FLEW MORE THAN TWO DOZEN MISSIONS FROM THE OPEN OCEAN.

THE ONLY PLANE LOST WAS BLOWN AGAINST ROCKS WHIMED ANCHORED.

WX)..GUAM, FEB.28(DELAYED)-(AP)-MANY TIMES WOUNDED
BUT STILL EAGER TO GET BACK INTO THE BATTLE IS MARINE SERGEANT
THOMAS LYONS, 25, OF 3539 JENNINGS STREET. SAN DIEGO,
WHO RECEIVED HIS EIGHTEENTH WOUND, A PIECE OF SHRAPNEL IN HIS
SHOULDER, AT BLOODY IWO JIMA. BONNIE WILEY

HE SAID HERE TODAY WHERE HE WAS TAKEN FOR TREATMENT. "I'VE"
BEEN INJURED SO MANY TIMES THERE WAS NO DOUBT IN MY MIND AS TO

WHAT HAD HAPPENED." LYONS, WHO JOINED THE MARINES SIX YEARS AGO WHILE HE WAS ATTENDING FAYETTEVILLE, ARK., NIGH SCHOOL, SAID HE GOT HIS WORST INJURY IN THE SOLOMONS, FIVE PIECES OF SHRAPNEL

IN HIS CHEST.

"BUT THE TIME I GOT THE JAP BAYONET IN MY THROAT ON GUADALCANAL WASN'T SO BAD," HE SAID. "IT JUST SORT OF TOOK OUT ONE OF MY TONSILS AND I WAS ALL WELL AGAIN IN A COUPLE OF WEEKS."

AN "OLD TIMER" ON IWO WAS CORPORAL PAUL GALICHET, 26, OF AN "OLD TIMER" ON IWO WAS CORPORAL PAUL GALICHET, 26, OF SOMERVILLE, N.J., WHO GOT SHRAPNEL WOUNDS IN HIS LEG AND ARM AND SUFFERED CONCUSSION FIVE DAYS AFTER D DAY.

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"WE'D BEEN GOING STRONG FOR FIVE DAYS," HE SAID. "WE DUG IN BACK OF THE LINES FOR A REST AND I WAS SHEETING THE BREEZE DUG IN BACK OF THE LINES FOR A REST AND I WAS SHEETING THE BREEZE DUG IN BACK OF THE LINES FOR A REST AND I WAS SHEETING THE BREEZE DUG IN BACK OF THE LINES FOR A REST AND I WAS SHEETING THE BREEZE DUG IN BACK OF THE LINES FOR A REST AND I WAS SHEETING THE BREEZE DUG IN BACK OF THE LINES FOR A REST AND I WAS SHEETING THE BREEZE DUG IN BACK OF THE LINES FOR A REST AND I WAS SHEETING THE BREEZE DUG IN BACK OF THE LINES FOR A REST AND I WAS SHEETING THE BREEZE DUG IN BACK OF THE LINES FOR A REST AND I WAS SHEETING THE BREEZE DUG IN BACK OF THE LINES FOR A REST AND I WAS SHEETING THE BREEZE DUG IN BACK OF THE LINES FOR A REST AND I WAS SHEETING THE BREEZE DUG IN BACK OF THE LINES FOR A REST AND I WAS SHEETING THE BREEZE DUG IN BACK OF THE LINES FOR A REST AND I WAS SHEETING THE BREEZE DUG IN BACK OF THE LINES FOR A REST AND I WAS SHEETING THE BREEZE DUG IN BACK OF THE BREEZE DUG IN BACK OF THE BACK DUG IN BACK

WITH A COUPLE OF MY MATES WHEN ALL HELL BROKE LOOSE. I DON'T

KNOW WHAT HIT ME. HIGH IN HIS PRAISE OF THE HOSPITAL CORPSMEN WAS LIEUT. (J.G.)

MAITLAND BALDWIN, CONCORD, MASS., WHO POINTED OUT DELBERT DENNY, PORTLAND, ORE., PLARMACIST MATE, FIRST CLASS. AS THE "COOLEST GUY I'VE EVER SEEN ON A BEACH."

BY GRANT MACDONALD ABOARD AMPHIBIOUS FLAGSHIP, KERAMA RETTO ANCHORAGE, MARCH 31, (DELAYED)-(AP)-GOOD PLANE COVER AND NAVY ANTI-AIRCRAFT FIRE PREVENTED THE JAPANESE FROM INFLICTING A SINGLE CASUALTY FROM THE AIR ON 77TH DIVISION TROOPS DURING THE OCCUPATION OF KERAMA RETTO, MAJ. GEN. ANDREW D. BRUCE TOLD NEWS CORRESPONDENTS TODAY.

THE OCCUPATION WAS ACCOMPLISHED SIX DAYS BEFORE THE INVASION OF OKINAWA AND LANDINGS ON NINE SEPARATE BEACHES ENTAILED "EXTREMELY

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FEW CASUALTIES, "BRUCE SAID.

"WE HAD GOOD WEATHER, GOOD NAVAL GUNFIRE AND AIR SUPPORT,

AND GOOD JUNIOR LEADERS," HE CONTINUED. "IT WAS A JOB OF MANY

SMALL UNITS AND ALL DID A GOOD JOB."
INTELLIGENCE OFFICERS SAID THE TOTAL OF KAPANESE SUICIDE BOATS CAPTURED OR DESTROYED HAD REACHED 350. MORE PROBABLY ARE BASED IN HIDEOUT CAVES.

NIGHT LEAD

BY LISLE SHOEMAKER (REPRESENTING THE COMBINED AMERICAN PRESS)

ABOARD A NAVY PHOTO PLANE OVER OKINAWA, APRIL 2-(AP)-IT LOOKED LIKE ANYTHING BUT BITTER WARFARE BELOW US TODAY AS THIS AMERICAN NAVY LIBERATOR FLEW AT SLOW SPEED AT LEAST FIVE MILES INLAND OVER YANK-INVADED OKINAWA.

WE COULD PLAINLY SEE AMERICAN TROOPS WALKING UPRIGHT IN DOUBLE COLUMNS ALONG THE ISLAND'S DIRT ROADS. TANK, JEEPS AND HALF-

TRACKS WERE MOVING INLAND SEEMINGLY WITHOUT TROUBLE.

ONLY SMOKE BLASTS RAISED FAR INLAND BY U.S. NAVY DIVE BOMBERS GAVE AN INDICATION WHERE THERE MIGHT BE DEFINITE JAPANESE DEFENSE

OKINAWA LOOKS LIKE QUIET, PEACEFUL FARMING COUNTRY. WE SAW LITTLE CLUSTERS OF VILLAGES WITH THEIR RED TILE ROOFED HOUSES. VILLAGES WERE INFREQUENT, HOWEVER, BECAUSE TERRIFIC PRE-INVASION

DV1015PCW BOMBARDMENT FROM SEA AND AIR BLASTED OUT MOST OF THEM. SMOKE WAS RISING FROM THEIR RUINS.

OUR PILOT, LT. GEORGE CONOVER, OF (605 MARY ETTA ST.) MIDDLETOWN, OHIO, SHUNTED THE BIG PLANE BACK AND FORTH OVER THE ISLAND, TAKING CARE TO KEEP OUT OF THE WAY OF THE DIVE BOMBERS. THE SMELL OF THE BURNED VILLAGES WAS PUNGENT IN THE BOMBARDIER'S COMPARTMENT OUT OF WHICH I PEERED WITH GRAHAM STANFORD, CORRESPONDENT OF THE LONDON DAILY MAIL.

EQUIPMENT WAS STREAMING IN FROM HUNDREDS OF TRANSPORTS OFFSHORE WITHOUT TROUBLE. IF THE JAPANESE MAKE A STAND SOON, AMERICAN

FORCES CERTAINLY WILL NOT LACK FOR BATTLE MATERIAL.

TWO AIRFIELDS PLAINLY IN SIGHT WERE LINED WITH WRECKED JAPANESE AIRCRAFT, AND IT WAS EASILY SEEN THERE WAS NO FIGHTING THERE NOR NEAR THERE. OUR PLANE LEFT IWO JIMA EARLY THIS MORNING AND MY FIRST STORY WAS PARACHUTED OVERBOARD BY CLINTON GREENHOE, PHARMACISTS MATE 2/C, OF NASHVILLE, MICH.

BELOW US WERE ENEMY TRENCHES, ALL EMPTY, AND NEAR THEM OUR FOOT SOLDIERS STOOD UP CASUALLY MORE THAN THREE MILES INLAND. THEY

OBVIOUSLY WERE UNBOTHERED. IT JUST DIDN'T SEEM POSSIBLE. THERE WAS NO ANTI-AIRCRAFT FIRE OVER THE TARGET. ON THE TRIP THERE, 185 MILES ABOVE DAITO GUNTO, WE WERE BLANKETED BY SIX BURSTS OF ACK-ACK-THREE IN FRONT AND THREE TO THE REAR-BUT VIOLENT EVASIVE ACTION BY CONOVER GOT US SAFELY THROUGH.

OTHER MEMBERS OF OUR LIBERATOR CREW WERE ENS. CHARLES COLLINS OF (460 HURAN AVE.) CAMBRIDGE, MASS.; FIORE MARRONE,
A.R.M. 3/C OF WATERBURY, CONN.; CHARLES SWECKER, A.MR.M.
2/C OF (10140 SOUTH SEELEY AVE.) CHICAGO; ROBERT C.
BISHOP, A.M.M. 3/C OF (19 CLARENDON AVE., WEST.) RUTLAND,
VT.; STEWART NORMAN, A.M.M. 2/C OF (391 FERRY ST.) EVERETT,
MASS.; JOHN L.HAWLEY, PHARMACISTS MATE 3/C OF (750 EAST
MAIN ST.) POMEROY, OHIO; HAROLD R.KRITSER, AOM 2/C OF
(418 SHERIDAN ST.) CHENOA, ILL.

OKINAWA SIDEBAR (180) BY VERN HAUGLAND

SOBE VILLAGE, OKINAWA, APRIL 2-(AP)-AMERICAN WARTIME REFINEMENT CAME TO OKINAWA TODAY WHEN TROOPS STARTED SPRAYING DDT SOLUTION TO REDUCE THE EXCESSIVE

MIMBER OF FLIES AND MOSQUITOES.

THIS MUST HAVE BEEN AN ATTRACTIVE TOWN ONCE, WITH ITS DOZENS OF RED TILED ROOFS PICTURESQUELY INTERMIXED WITH DOZENS OF THATCHED ROOFS ONE-STORY, FLIMSILY BUILT FRAME HOUSES ARE CROWDED CLOSE TOGETHER SEPARATED BY HIGH STONE WALLS WHICH FORM NARROW PASSAGEWAYS JUTTING OF FROM THE FEW NARROW STREETS.

SOME OF THESE HOUSES WERE SHELL SHATTERED. BUT OTHERS WERE INTACT

EXCEPT FOR PERSONAL BELONGINGS, WHICH CIVILIANS TOOK WITH THEM TO THE HILLS SEVERAL DAYS AGO. EACH HOUSE WAS LITTERED WITH CLOTHING, MATS, CROCKERY AND JAPANESE MAGAZINES.

IN THE BIGGEST AND BEST HOUSES AMERICANS ARE PLACING CIVILIAN REFUGEES WHO ARE STARTING TO SURRENDER. THEY ARE A PITIFUL LOOKING, SCRAWNY, UNDERFED, UNDERSIZED LOT, MOSTLY WOMEN, CHILDREN AND

MANY OFFSHOOTING TUNNELS HAVE NOT YET BEEN EXPLORED. HUNDREDS OF CIVILIANS HID THERE DURING THE BOMBARDMENT, THEN CAME OUT AND SURRENDERED. IT LOOKS LIKE A DARK, SHAPBY HOTEL LOBBY, WITH CLOTHING SCATTERED ABOUT. IN ONE SMALL OFFSHOOTING CAVE WAS THE BODY OF A GRAY-HAIRED WOMAN WHO HAD DIED SEVERAL DAYS BEFORE. MM746PPW

FOURTH NIGHT LEAD PHILIPPINES (180)

BY JAMES HUTCHESON

MANILA, TUESDAY, APRIL 3-(AP)-SPEARHEADED BY BRIG. GEN. HANFORD MACNIDER'S 158TH REGIMENTAL COMBAT TEAM, AMERICAN DOUGHBOYS INVADED THE IMPORTANT HARBOR OF LEGASPI ON SOUTHEASTERN LUZON SUNDAY FOLLOWING A SPECTACULAR GUN DUEL BETWEEN DESTROYERS AND JAPANESE APTILLERY

A SMALL FORCE OF DESTROYERS, DESTROYER ESCORTS AND GUNBOATS WAS SCHEDULED TO BEGIN FIRING 20 MINUTES BEFORE THE LANDING -- AND AFTER HEAVY AERIAL BOMBING. HOWEVER, A CHALLENGE FROM JAPANESE ARTILLERY PREC

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ARTILLERY PRECIPITATED THE FIREWORKS AN HOUR AHEAD OF TIME. FLASHES FROM GUNS ON HILLS BACK OF THE BEACH, WHICH THE JAPANESE

HAD LAPELLED "LITTLE BATAAN" SIGNALED THE OPENING.

THE ENEMY FIRED CLOSE TO 50 ROUNDS, PROBABLY FROM 3 TO 5-INCH GUNS. NO SHIPS WERE HIT, BUT SHELLS FELL ON EACH SIDE OF THE COMMAND SHIP OF MACNIDER AND NAVAL CAPT. H.F.MCGEE (565 CENTRAL AVE) JEFFERSON PARISH, NEW ORLEANS, SEVENTH AMPHIBIOUS FORCE COMMANDER IN CHARGE OF THE OPERATION.

THE GUNS WERE SILENCED AFTER LIBERATORS, LIGHTNINGS AND THUNDER-

BOLTS JOINED IN THE BOMBARDMENT WITH BOMBS.

THE DOUGHBOYS, FROM THE VETERAN SIXTH ARMY, QUICKLY SECURED THE CITY OF LEGASPI, POPULATION 45,000 (CORRECT) AND NEARBY AIRFIELDS, GEN. DOUGLAS MACARTHUR ANNOUNCED IN TODAY'S COMMUNIQUE. THE LANDING, ETC., SECOND GRAF THIRD NIGHT LEAD. ADD HANILA PHIL. XXX

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IMPANTRY WAS LED IN THIS PUSH BY LT. COL. ARTHUR COLLINS OF DOSTON,

BY FRED HAMPSON FIFTH U.S.ARMY AIR FORCE BOMBER BASE, PHILIPPINES-(AP)-BRIG.GEN.J.N.CRABB, WHOSE FIFTH AIR FORCE BOMBERS HAVE BEEN RAIDING BEYOND FORMOSA TO THE NORTH AND AIR BLOCKADING JAPANESE SHIPPING LINES IN THE SOUTH CHINA SEA, BELIEVES THE NIPPONESE AIR FORCE IS WRECKED BEYOND REBUILDING BUT MAY STRIKE ONE MORE HEAVY BLOW.
"I THINK THEY'RE STOCKING UP IN THE HOMELAND," SAID CRABB,
WHO COMES FROM NEW HARMONY, IND., "AND THEY'LL SHOOT THE WORKS
WHEN WE TRY TO LAND THERE. THAT'S GOING TO BE A ROUGH ONE."
HE DECLARED: "THEY APEN'T FUEN BUTTING UP A FIGUR OVER FORMOSA." HE DECLARED: "THEY AREN'T EVEN PUTTING UP A FIGHT OVER FORMOSA.

TO OKINAWA, WHERE HIS BOMBERS SOMETIMES RANGED PRIOR TO THE PRESENT INVASION,

ASSERTED THAT THE EMPHASIS ON AIR FORCE ACTION, WITH THE JAPANESE VIRTUALLY CHASED OUT OF THE AIR SOUTH OF THE HOMELAND, HAS SHIFTED TO CLOSE SUPPORT OF GROUND TROOPS.

HE SAID THE BIG BOMBS WERE GAINING IN FAVOR AS A MEANS OF

KNOCKING OUT JAPANESE HILLSIDE CAVES.

"WE CAN'T HIT THE CAVES," CRABB EXPLAINED. "BUT WE DROP NEAR

THEM AND THE THOUSAND-POUNDERS SEND AN AIR SQUEEBE INTO THE CAVES THAT PUTS THE JAPS OUT OF COMMISSION. IF THE INFANTRY GETS IN FAST ENOUGH THEN, THE JOB IS EASY."

CRABB, LIKE MOST VETERAN AIRMEN OF THE SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST PACIFIC, THINKS RABAUL ON NEW BRITAIN WAS THE TOUGHEST OF ALL.

"NOBODY WHO EVER FOUGHT THERE WILL EVER FORGET RABAUL," SAID CRABB, WHOSE WIFE, SON AND DAUGHTER ARE PRESENTLY LIVING AT (6240 NORTH ROCKWELL ST.) CHICAGO.

DV952PCW MANILA, APRIL 2 (AP)-GEN. DOUGLAS MACARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS
TODAY ANNOUNCED THE AWARDING OF BRONZE STARS TO ELEVEN NAVY NURSES

RESCUED AFTER THREE YEARS OF JAPANESE CAPTIVITY.
THEY INCLUDE: ENSIGNS MARY CHAPMAN OF (4108 NORTH CENTRAL PARK AVE.), CHICAGO, ILL.; HELEN C.GORZELANSKI, OMAHA, NEB.; GOLDIE A.HAVER, HAYFIELD, MINN.; MARGARET A.NASH, WILKES-BARRE, PA.; SUSIE J.PITCHER, DES MOINES, IA.

BUENOS AIRES -- FIRST ADD MANDL FIRM NATIONALIZED X X X AMERICAN REPUBLICS.

THE REFERENCE TO IMPA'S DIFFICULTY IN MAINTAINING

NORMAL OPERATIONS APPARENTLY REFLECTED THE SQUEEZE IMPOSED BY THE

ALLIES AFTER THE COMPANY WAS BLACKLISTED. MANDL SAID SOME TIME AGO THAT IMPA WAS CAPITALIZED AT 9,000,000 PESOS (\$600,000) AND WAS LARGELY OWNED BY THE SCHROEDER BANK COPPORATION OF THE UNITED STATES. AT THAT TIME MANDL SAID THE WAR PRODUCTION PHASE OF THE FACTORY'S WORK WAS LIMITED TO THE MANUFACTURE OF 50,000 CARTRIDGES DAILY AND AN UNSPECIFIED NUMBER OF PLANES AND

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GLIDERS.

ADD MEXICO CITY "JUNTA" XXX SAN FRANCISCO THE MEMORANDUM WAS STONED BY JUNTA OFFICIALS INCLUDING

THE STATE BURLOS PRESIDENT ALVARO DE ALDORNOZ AND SECRETARY INDALECTO PRIETO.

MEXICO CITY, APRIL 2 (AP)-TWO LARGE NEW RUNWAYS WILL BE CONSTRUCTED AT THE MEXICO CITY AIRPORT TO ACCOMMODATE GIANT PLANES EXPECTED AFTER THE WAR, THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

THE DEPARTMENT ALSO SAID COMMUNICATIONS IN SOUTHEASTERN MEXICO, PARTICULARLY HIGHWAYS AND RAILWAYS, WILL RECEIVE ADDED ATTENTION. PEDRO MARTINEZ TORNEL, NEW SECRETARY OF COMMUNICATIONS, PLANS TO TOUR THAT AREA SOON, ACCOMPANIED BY UNDER SECRETARY RAFAEL AVILA REPORTED TODAY. CAMACHO.

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SAN JUAN, P.R., APRIL 2-4 AP)-THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF PUERTO RICO SUGAR PRODUCERS ASSOCIATION TODAY PASSED A RESOLUTION REQUESTING AN ANNOUNCEMENT RESPECTING THE 1946 SUGAR SUBSIDY BE MADE THIS MONTH IN ORDER TO ENCOURAGE PRODUCERS TO INCREASE OUTPUT.

THE BOARD SAID GENERAL DISCOURAGEMENT PREVAILED AMONG PUERTO RICO'S SUGAR CANE GROWERS DUE TO UNCERTAINTIES AND EXPERIENCES OF THE PAST WHEN SUBSIDY ANNOUNCEMENTS WERE HELD UP UNTIL ALL CROP EXPENDITURES

HAD BEEN MADE ...

IT WAS STATED THE LACK OF INTEREST AND DISCOURAGEMENT AMONG PRODUCT ERS WOULD RESULT IN ABANDONMENT BY MANY OF PLANS TO RAISE CANE

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ERS WOULD RESULT IN ABANDONMENT BY MANY OF PLANS TO RAISE CANE AND RESULT IN A CONSIDERABLY REDUCED 1946 CROP UNLESS THEY WERE HELPED .

THE BOARD SAID THE 38 DAY STRIKE LEFT UNHARVESTED 2,400,000 TONS OF SUGAR CANE ON 80,000 ACRES. THE HARVESTING ON THESE ACRES CONSEQUENTLY HAS BEEN DELAYED UNTIL JUNE AND JULY, WEATHER PERMITTING. BECAUSE OF ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS AND ABNORMALLY SHORT GROWING PERIOD, THE BOARD PREDICTED IT WAS UNLIKELY THERE WOULD BE, ANY PROFIT IN THE 1946 CROP.

TODAY'S RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD WAS SENT TO GOVERNOR REXFORD GUY TUGWELL, THE UNITED STATES WAR FOOD ADMINISTRATION, THE COMMODITY CREDIT CORP. AND THE OFFICE OF PRICE ADMINISTRATION.

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NEW YORK, APRIL 2- AP) - THE TASS AGENCY BROADCAST TO TH

SOVIET PRESS TONIGHT THAT APOLLON ALEXANDROVICH PETROV HAD BEEN

APPUINTED RUSSIAN AMBASSADOR TO CHINA, SUCCEEDING ALEXANDER

PANYUSIKIN, WHO HAS BEEN ILL. THE FFC REPORTED THE BROADCAST.

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SAN FRANCISCO, APRIL 2-(AP)-THE AMERICAN SUPERFORTRESS INCEN-DIARY RAID ON TOKYO MARCH 10 WAS LIKENED BY THE JAPANESE RADIO TODAY TO THE DESTRUCTION OF ROME WHILE NERO FIDDLED.

TOKYO ACKNOWLEDGED, IN A BROADCAST RECORDED BY THE FCC, THAT EVEN STEEL AND CONCRETE FACTORIES WERE "GUTTED" AND THAT THOUSANDS

OF RESIDENTS WERE LEFT HOMELESS. IT CLAIMED "A NEW TOKYO IS RISING FROM THE ASHES" AND THAT MOST OF THE FACTORIES "HAVE ALREADY RESUMED OPERATIONS IN THE BASE-MENTS. " OTHER PARTS OF THE BOMBED AREA, IT STATED, HAVE BEEN LAID OUT AS TRUCK GARDENS WHILE THE PEOPLE ARE RECLAIMING SCRAP METAL FROM THE RUINED AREAS.

THE JAPANESE AGENCY AEI REPORTED THAT 29 PASSENGER AND FREIGHT TRAINS DAILY ARE CARRYING CIVILIAN REFUGEES FROM TOKYO TO RURAL DIS-TRICTS.

OFFICIAL AMERICAN REPORTS AFTER THE MARCH 10 RAID SAID 3,000 PLANTS AND SHOPS WERE DESTROYED IN THE 13.5 ACRES DEVASTATED BY 2,300 TOMS OF FIRE BOMBS. IT WAS ESTIMATED 1,200,000 WORKERS WERE LEFT HOMELESS. MM448PPW

JAP POET (170)

SAN FRANCISCO, APRIL 2-(AP)-KOTARO TAKAMURA, A JAPANESE POET WITH A PLAINTIVE PEN, SAT DOWN TODAY AND DECIDED AMERICANS WHO INVADED OKINAWA HAVE LOST THEIR "RATIONAL MIND."

TAKAMURA'S POEM, WHICH COUNSELS THE RYUKYU ISLANDER TO "HOLD THEMSELVES BEHIND LEAVES WITH ETERNAL LIFE" AND "WITHSTAND THE SHOWER OF BULLETS." WAS QUOTED BY TOKYO RADIO IN A DOMESTIC BROADCAST INTERCEPTED BY THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION.
TALKING TO THE BELEAGUERED NIPPONESE, TAKAMURA RECITED:
"THEY RYUKYUS--THEY HAVE INDEED BECOME THE LAND TO DECIDE THE

RISE OR FALL OF JAPAN.

"FATE HINGES UPON THESE ISLANDS. "EVERYTHING WILL BE DECIDED UPON THESE ISLANDS.

"DEFEND THE RYUKYUS -- WIN THE BATTLE AT THE RYUKYUS.

"ALL JAPANESE IN ALL OF JAPAN,

"GIVE EVERY OUNCE OF AVAILABLE STRENGTH FOR THE DEFENSE OF THE RYUKYUS.

"THE ENEMY HAS LOST HIS RATIONAL MIND.

*THIS MEANS THE ARRIVAL OF A DIVINE OPPORTUNITY FOR US. *ALL JAPANESE IN ALL OF JAPAN--

*RISE, SEND YOUR BLOOD TO THE RYUKYUS.

*AH, OUR STOUT-HEARTED BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN THE RYUKYUS,

*COUNTRY OF THE DIVINE WARRIORS,

"HOLD YOURSELVES BEHIND THE LEAVES WITH ETERNAL LIFE. "FIGHT BACK THAT CANNON FIRE! WITHSTAND THE SHOWER OF BULLETS! "AND THEN COME OUT FURIOUSLY AND WIPE OUT THAT PIRATICAL

ENEMY! "-MM741PPW

SAN FRANCISCO, APRIL 2 (AP)-FORMOSA'S NON-JAPANESE PEOPLES HAVE BEEN GRANTED ADDED REPRESENTATION ON THE ADVISORY COUNCIL ATTACHED TO THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT GENERAL ON THAT ISLAND IN A FURTHER MOVE TO IMPLEMENT RECENTLY PROCLAIMED POLICY OF "IMPROVING THE POLITICAL SER

MOVE TO IMPLEMENT RECENTLY PROCLAIMED POLICY OF "IMPROVING THE POLITICAL STATUS" OF SUBJECT PEOPLES, THE TOKYO RAEIO REPORTED TODAY.

THE NIPPONESE GOVERNMENT HAS ALREADY ANNOUNCED GRANTING OF REPRESENTATION IN BOTH HOUSES OF THE JAPANESE IMPERIAL DIET TO PREDOMINANTLY NON-JAPANESE PEOPLES OF FORMOSA, KOREA AND KARAFUTO.

AMERICAN NAVAL STRENGTH NOW HAS VIRTUALLY ISOLATED FORMOSA FROM JAPAN PROPER.

PRECEDE NEW YORK KUME LANDING

SAN FRANCISCO, APRIL 2 (AP)-AMERICAN ASSAULT FORCES LANDED AT 5:25 P.M. SUNDAY NIGHT, JAPANESE TIME, (6:25 A.M. SUNDAY EUT) ON THE SOUTHERN TIP OF KUME ISLAND, 52 MILES WEST OF INVADED OKINAWA IN THE RYUKYUS, THE TOKYO RADIO REPORTED TODAY.

THE BROADCAST WAS MONITORED BY THE FCC. THERE HAS BEEN NO AMERICAN CONFIRMATION OF SUCH A LANDING.

KUME IS THE MOST WESTERLY OF THE RYUKYU CHAIN. A LANDING THERE, LIKE THOSE MADE BY AMERICAN FORCES IN THE KERAMA ISLANDS NEARER OKINAWA A WEEK AGO TODAY, WOULD BE INTENDED TO SECUR THE HOLD ON OKINAWA.

JR YEARS AGO TODAY BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS APRIL 2, 1941 -- THE BRITISH ADMIRALTY ANNOUNCED THE SINKING OF THREE ITALIAN VESSELS, A SUBMARINE AND A TANKER IN THE MEDITERRANEAN AND A DESTROYER NEAR THE EAST INDIES. PERU ANNOUNCED CANCELLATION OF ITS CONTRACT WITH GERMANY'S LUFTHAMSA AIRLINE AND SAID IT HAD TAKEN OVER ALL THE LINE'S PLANES ON PERUVIAN TERRITORY. MT-KA1106AEW

THE WEST ON FRONT LAST NIGHT (MC 3 (270) THE ASSOCIATED PRESS NORTHERN SECTOR: GERMANS THREATENED WITH NEW GIANT TRAP IN WESTERN HOLLAND BY BRITISH-CANADIAN ADVANCE; BRITISH ENTERED MUENSTER; U.S.

NINTH ARMY ENTERED HAMM.

CENTRAL SECTOR: FIRST ARMY BATTERED BACK GERMAN ATTEMPT TO BREAK OUT FIGHT INTO KASSEL AND FULDA. AMERICANS 160 MILES OR LESS FROM BERLIN, OF RUHR TRAP, WHERE 110,000 NAZIS ARE BOXED: U.S. THIRD ARMY ROAMED CENTRAL GERMANY ALMOST AT WILL, STABBING WITHIN 92 MILES OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA. 155 MILES OF BERLIN AND 198 FROM RUSSIAN LINES.

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SOUTHERN SECTOR: SEVENTH ARMY FOUGHT HARD FOR ASCHAFFENBURG: AND MENACED NUERNBERG: FRENCH WIDENED BRIDGEHEAD ACROSS PHIME TO THE MENACED NUERNBERG: FRENCH WIDENED BRIDGEHEAD ACROSS RHINE TO THE

SOUTH. -- DASH --THE ARMIES IN THE WEST

CANADIAN FIRST ARMOC QTMOTVTO

CANADIAN FIRST ARMY: SWEPT NORTH INTO HOLLAND, THREATENING BIG NEW TRAP FOR GERMANS IN WESTERN HOLLAND.

BRITISH SECOND ARMY: ADVANCED ACROSS WESTPHALIAN PLAIN, ENTERED

U.S. MINTH ARMY: ENTERED HAMM.

U.S.FIRST ARMY: BEAT BACK GERMAN ATTEMPT TO BREAK OUT OF RUHR

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U.S. SEVENTH ARMY: BATTLED PARD FOR ASCHAFFENBURG. THREATENED

FRENCH FIRST ARMY: WIDENED RHINE BRIDGEHEAD. --DASH--U.S.DIVISIONS: FOURTH ARMORED: DROVE ACROSS CENTRAL GERMAN PLAIN.
SIXTH ARMORED: FOUGHT IN KASSEL AREA.

11TH ARMORED: BATTLED NORTHEAST OF FULDA.

12TH ARMORED: REACHED OUTSKIRTS OF WUERZBURG. 26TH INFANTRY: FOUGHT IN FULDA SECTOR. 45TH INFANTRY: BATTLED IN ASCHAFFENBURG. SOTH INFANTRY: BATTLED IN KASSEL SECTOR. 83RD INFANTRY: MOPPED UP IN RUHR POCKET. THIRD INFANTRY: CLEARED ROTHENBUCH, LICHTENAU AND ERLENFURTH. TENTH ARMORED: NEARED BAD WIMPEN ABOVE HEILBRONN. 14TH ARMORED: APPROACHED LOHR, EAST OF ASCHAFFENBURG. 35TH INFANTRY: CAPTURED RECKLINGHAUSEN.
63RD INFANTRY: PUSHED EAST FROM VICINITY OF MOSBACH.
79TH INFANTRY: CLEARED DIEHAARD FOREST BELOW HALTER, PUSHED EAST. MD&LF1020PEW

NIGHT LEAD ROAD TO BERLIN

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

EASTERN FRONT: 32 HILES (FROM ZELLIN).

WESTERN FRONT: 155 HILES (AT WERRA RIVER NEAR EISENACH).

ITALIAN FRONT: 544 MILES (FROM RENO RIVER).

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THE WAR AT A GLANCE

ITALIAN FRONT: ARTILLERY EXCHANGES AND PATROL ACTIONS ON LAND FRONT; ALLIED WARSHIPS SHELL POSITIONS ON FRENCH-ITALIAN BORDER. PACIFIC FRONT: U.S. 10TH ARMY INFANTRYMEN AND MARINES INVADING OKINAWA, 325 MILES FROM JAPAN, PUSH EASTWARD TOWARD NAKAGUSUKU BAY FLEET ANCHORAGE, SEIZE TWO AIRFIELDS AGAINST LIGHT OPPOSITION IN EARLY STAGES; SEAPLANES OPERATING FROM NEARBY KERAMA ISLANDS; TOKYO RAIDED BY PROBABLY 150 SUPERFORTRESSES: JAPANESE CASUALTIES IN PHILIPPINES. RAISED TO 307,000.

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3d Army Tanks Reach Outskirts Of GothaReds Drive Into Limits Of

Greater Vienna

Patton's Army Battling Deep Inside Kassel

PARIS, Wednesday, April 4-(AP) Powerful U. S. Third army tank columns smashed into the outskirts of Gotha yesterday in a 19-mile sweep within 140 miles of Berlin, while Canadian troops were only 20 miles from closing a trap on the bulk of 90,000 Nazis troops in western Holland.

Striking across wooded Thuringia province, Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's flying columns drove within 65 miles of Czechoslovakia and were three-fourths across the "waist" of central Germany. His men were reported within 160 miles of the Russian lines—less National Market distance between New York and Baltimore.

Sixty miles northeast of Gotha, other Third army units battled violently deep inside the great arsenal city of Kassel, which one German broadcast said had fallen in a mass of flaming ruins.

Fifty miles southwest of Gotha, Third army troops captured the Catholic shrine city of Fulda,

in the south, a monocled German major named Von Lambert, surrendered Aschaffenburg after publicly hanging two of his officers who first had suggested that he give up when the Americans turned their big guns on the blasted city six days ago.

Battle Into Wuerzburg

Lt. Gen. Alexander M. Patch's Seventh Army troops also fought their way into Wuerzburg, swep. around that city, and were less than 40 miles from Nuernberg, Nazi convention city covering the northern approaches to Munich.

Other units fought their way into Heilbronn, an important communications hub, and also reached Brucheal, only 10 miles from the Rhine river stronghold of Karlsruhe.

In the north, Lt. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges First army beat down Nazi break-out attempts from the Ruhr pocket as Allied planes showered surrender leaflets on the troops, estimated to number 110.-

Gen. Eisenhower said the encirclement of the Ruhr was a "magnificent feat of arms" that would "bring the war more rapidly to a close," and called on the trapped Germans to surrender or be arnihilated.

U. S. Ninth Army forces operating northeast of the Ruhr burr through the Teutoburger Wald, r hilly forested area, and racci around both sides of Bielefeld with in 175 miles of Berlin, These troop: were closing up to the Weser riv er, one of two major water barriers before Berlin.

North of the Ninth army, the British drove into the great indus trial center of Osnabrueck on the road to Bremen, and to the wes. were striking beyond capture Nordhorn, 60 miles south of the German North Sea coast.

The Canadians on the left had crossed the Twenthe canal between Zutphen and Hengelo, and apparently by nightfall had cut the mair Hannover-Holland failway which is the major enemy escape route out of the area south of the Zuid er Zee, now only about 20 miles be yond the Canadians.

The Canadian - British moves threatened to seal off the big Dutch cities of the Hague, Amsterdam. Haarlem and Rotterdam.

At Gotha, the famous Fourti. Armored (breakthrough) division had carried within 75 miles of the big Saxony city of Leipzig and within 26 miles of Weimar, birthplace of the German republic. A dispatch from Gen. Omar N. Bradley's 12th army group headquarters said still other Third army troops were a bare 160 miles from Russian siege lines below Berlin.

Yanks Storming Suhl

The Germans said Third army troops were storming Suhl, 68 miles from Czechoslovakia and 86 from the big Saxony city of Leipzig, putting the Americans within 168 miles of Prague, Czechoslovak capital.

The street fighting in the ancien: Hesse-Nassau capital of Kassel, 165 bitterest yet for Gen. Patton's shock troops in Germany. The enemy kept his aircraft and tank

plants working in Kassel, even though the city of 217,085 was being conquered and American guns sprayed the factories with massed bombardments.

In Holland and northwest Germany, the British and Canadian armies drove toward the Zuider Zee and the North Sea Nazi ports in a Supreme effort to trap 90,000 Germans of the army group H-

already in outright flight by horsecart, trucks and anything that would move.

Ninth army tanks racing for the north German flatlands were less than 175 miles from Berlin and five miles from the Weser river.

The First and Ninth armies tightened their trap on the 3,900square-mile Ruhr, where 110,000 trapped Nazis thrashed about, vainly looking for a weak spot through which to escape. All German counterattacks were smashed, the First army pressing in for the kill from the south and east; the Ninth army striking down from the north.

General Eisenhower declared the Germans were "ripe for annihilation," and again called on them and other Nazi forces to surrender.

The Canadians moved within 25 miles of the Zuider Zee and cross-d the Twente canal, while the British beat down the last 58 miles or less to the North Sea in efforts to spring a double trap.

Muenster, capital of Westphalia, was all but cleared by the U.S. 17th miles southwest of Berlin, was the airborne division and British tanks. Town after town fell in the north. The British 11th armored divisio

Osnabrueck and fought within 60 miles of Bremen and 87 of Wilhelmshaven, naval bases of Gezmany's still dangerous U-boat squadrons.

On the north side of the Ruhr trap, the Ninth army captured Recklinghausen, a munitions producer of 87,000, and dashed to within five miles of the Weser river at a point south of Herford, 120 miles east of the Rhine. The Ninth army fought the last Germans in Hamm, eastern exit of the Ruhr and Europe's largest rail center.

ARE THREE-QUARTERS OF WAY ACROSS REICH

British Speed for North Sea-Canadians Near Zuider Zee as New Traps Form —Yanks Block Foe in Ruhr Pocket.

BULLETIN.

With the United States Seventh Army, April 3 (A. P.).-The city of Aschaffenburg fell to the Fortyfifth Infantry Division today after a week-long battle and thirty five miles to the southeast two units of the Forty-second Rainbow Division tought into Wuerzburg. Some elements of the Seventh were reported less than forty miles from the Nazi shrine city of Nuernberg. The German garrison in Schaffenburg surrendered at 9 A. M., with the German, Major Lambert, leading his troops under white flags from the castle.

Paris, April 3 (A. P.).—The Third Army's Fourth Armored Division, plunging nineteen miles eastward, raced into the outskirts of the old German city of Gotha today, reaching a point three-fourths of the way across the Reich to Czecho-Slovakia and 140 miles from Berlin.

Gotha is twenty-six miles west of Weimar. The town is seventy-five miles from the border of Czecho-Slovakia

and seventy-five miles from Leipzig.

Two other columns, seventeen and twenty-seven miles south of Gotha, jabbed even closed to Czecho-Slovakiasixty-five miles. Fulda, forty-five miles to the rear of these columns, was cleared.

In the north, British and Canadian troops advanced to within twenty-five miles or less of the Zuider Zee and within sixty miles of the North Sea in the drive to close a trap on the German garrisons of northern Holland and its V-bomb and rocket sites.

West of Berlin the American Ninth Army fought within nine miles of the Weser River and the First Army, beating Germans to the punch, turned back attempts of a striking force from 110,000 trapped Nazis to break out of the Ruhr pocket and tightened its vise.

To the northwest of the Gotha spearhead, the Third Army was fighting a house-to-house battle in falling Kas-

sel, locomotive manufacturing center.

Don Whitehead, Associated Press correspondent with the First Army, reported that Gen. Hodges beat the Nazis in the Ruhr trap to the punch by just twenty-four hours and has blocked a major drive intended to rip an escape frontally by the Americans, 190 miles from Berlin. gap through First Army lines to the east. Whitehead said that Hodges threw his armor and infantry across the path of the Germans just as they were hitting to the east in force in the beginning of a move to cut off spearheading elements of American armor from the infantry and disrupt the entire First Army offensive from the Rhine. The German thrust was shattered and the Allied ring was annihilation." tightened.

The British and the United States Seventeenth Airborne

frontier at points more than 180 miles inside the Reich.

3d Only 65 Miles From Czechoslovakia, Nazis Say

The Germans said Lieut. Gen. George S. Patton's army was storming Suhl, 65 miles from Czechoslovakia, and had surrounded Meiningen, 10 miles to the southwest on the Werra River. These positions would place the American three fourths of the way across the waist of Germany.

Seventh Army tanks were said by the enemy to have cul the railroad from invested Wuerzburg to Ansbach, 23 miles southwest of Nuernberg.

"We have not yet succeeded in building up a cohesive front," a Berlin military spokesman said.

A security blackout hid most 3d Army movements. A dispatch from Gen. Omar N. Bradley's 12th Army Groun headquarters gave these distances, but censors did not permit towns to be named. The dispatch said the 3d was still night after a daylong fight around Bonenberg near Winterstill fighting inside Kasse In ulda, both entered yes- Forest.

Canadians Twice Bridge Rhine

The Canadians menaced Arnhem, bridged the lower Rhine twice and fought toward the Zuider Zee, less than 25 miles away. When they reach the great water mass, cities such as Amsterdam, Rotterdam and The Hague will be sealed off for liberation.

The British fought to within 5 miles of Osnabrueck. which was bypassed, and within 60 miles of the North Sea, and the cities of Bremen and Hannover. The United States 9th Army moved to within 50 miles of Hannover when its 2d Armored Division reached the Werra River south of Herford at a point 9 miles from the Weser. The Weser and the Elbe River are the only large streams ahead on the high road to Berlin.

[The London radio said today that "British patrols are reported to have entered Osnabrueck." The broadcast was recorded by the Blue network in New York.]

Bielefeld was outflanked, bypassed and threatened

Nazi Attempt To Break Out Foiled

First Army tanks and infantry shattered violent German attempts to crash out of the Ruhr pocket, where General Eisenhower said the whole German Army Group B and part of Group H was sealed for destruction and "ripe for

The trap was tightened on the north side by 9th Army divisions, which captured Recklinghausen and cleared vir-

The hard-hitting American 3d Army in central Germany advanced almost 30 miles overnight to within 160 miles of a junction with the Russians on the Eastern front-a move that would bisect the Reich. The 3d Army whipped across the tough terrain of the Thuringian Forest to within 80 miles of the Czechoslovak

tuany an the builtup Kuhr area north of the Emcher Canal between Duisburg on the Rhine and Dortmund.

The 9th Division of the 1st Army beat down thrashing German efforts to break eastward from the Ruhr trap where General Eisenhower said the Germans' "fate is sealed."

One Strong Nazi Attack Gains Briefly

The Germans attempted to burst out at Winterberg and were beaten back. The town was captured. Three miles southwest at Neu Astenberg, a strong German counterattack drove the Americans out for a time. The 1st Army men fought back into the village and closed in on the north, setting up road blocks. All around the Ruhr trap the Americans tightened their solid grip on the pocket, Correspondent Don Whitehead reported.

The 9th Armored Division smashed an enemy attack last 155 miles from Berlin. Parts of his forces presumably were berg, and the doughboys moved west into the Hardehausen

> Closing in on the Ruhr from the south, infantry crossed the Sieg River southwest of Siegen and beat down two weak counterattacks.

61,968 1st Army Prisoners Already Counted

Lieut. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges's 1st Army had captured the equivalent of an entire German army in the last nine days of its Blitz drive from the original Rhine crossing. A total of 61.968 prisoners have been counted, 4,821 of them vesterday, and hundreds more waited to be processed. Since D-day, the 1st Army has captured 358,758.

British tanks and the United States 17th Airborne Division captured two thirds of burning Muenster, capital of Westphalia.

The 9th Army on the northeast lip of the Ruhr pocket drove east through a laboriously carved gap in the Tutoburgerwald-an easily defended wooded ridge around Bielefeld. The 2d Armored and 30th Infantry divisions reached Hiddeson, Billinhausen and Frodissen after clearing passes through the ridge just north of Bielefeld.

Flyers noted the Germans of Army Group H in full retreat from Holland and the V-bomb bases between The Hague and Rotterdam from which England has been subjected to vengeance fire. Within 48 hours, the bases may be inderdicted, Ross Munro, of the Canadian Press, reported.

Other airmen flying over the Ruhr pocket saw no rail movements in or beyond that great, excircled industrial

At the southern end of the front, Gen. Jacob L. Devers's 6th Army Group pressed to within 32 miles of Stuttgart and

within 6 miles of the important Wuerttemberg, traffic center of Wuerzburg on the approaches to Nuernberg.

Heilbronn. The 42d (Rainbow) Di-vision was mopping up the area of was meeting stiff resistance toward. American troops also cut the Biele-

French Outflank Karlsruhe

The French 1st Army, also of Devers's command, had outflanked the Baden capital of Karlsruhe and widened its cross-Rhine front to 25 miles or more.

Montgomery was fashioning double trap for the Germans in Holland, by sending his columns toward both the Zuider Zee and the North Sea.

The Canadian 1st Army, with the 4th Armored and 3d Infantry divisions in action, was operating northeast of the lower Rhine. By reaching the Zuider Zee, it would cut off German troops in such cities as Amsterdam, The Hague, Rotterdam, Utrecht, Haarlem and Arnhem to the south and west,

Twenthe Canal Reached

Canadian tank troops reached the Twenthe Canal, which runs north from Zutphen and then swings sharply east across the Ijssel River to the Dutch-German frontier between Hengelo and captured Enschede. This cut German communications east from Arnhem.

[Allied troops have captured Hengelo, 19 miles northeast of Arnhem, the Free Netherlands radio

said today.]

The Germans, aware of their peril between the lower Rhine bend and the North Sea, were attempting to pull out of parts of Holland and northwest Germany. Great concentrations of barges on both sides of the Zuider Zee were attacked by planes. Rail yards at Zwolle at the eastern edge of the Zuider Zee were jammed. Much mobile flak artillery has already scurried eastward.

British At Nordhorn

British troops raced 17 miles Enschede, tenth largest north of city of Holland with 90,289 population, to Nordhorn, 40 miles due east of Zwolle. Nordhorn is 60 miles from the North Sea inlet at the mouth of the Ems River. It is 87 miles from Wilhelmshaven, major North Sea naval base.

Osnabrueck, 74 miles west of Hannover and until now one of the largest supply points for the Western front, was toppling. The city was under frontal attack and also was flanked to the northeast. Osnabrueck is 60 miles southwest

Bielefeld Under Siege

A British force cut the Osnabrueck-Bielefeld road at several places and virtually placed Biele feld under siege.

Lieut. Gen. William H. Simpson's 2d Armored Division of his of 7th Army col-Paderborn highway and had elefeld-Osnabrueck road.

Resistance stiffened before the British drive along the northwest German frontier between Ibbenburen and Lengerich, but the Tommies were not stopped.

Tecklenburg, seven miles south west of Osnabrueck, fell to the British 11th Armored Division Rheine, a major rail center, was British took 2,000 prisoners yester-

On the northwest flank, the Canadians pushed north from Nijmegen toward Arnhem. They captured their bare hands in the fields out-Doetinchem, 17 miles east of Arn-

hem and the same distance south of Zutphen. Ruhrlo, 12 miles southeast of Zutphen, also fell.

The 106th Cavalry Group of the 7th Army to the south advanced 12 were shot trying to escape, miles yesterday northeast of bitterly contested Aschaffenburg toward Steinau. Rappenau, 6 miles from Heilbronn, fell to the 10th Armored Division.

Light rain fell on most of the front and low clouds restricted aerial operations, particularly in the north.

At present rates of advance, Ross Munro of the Canadian Press estimated that the Canadian Army would cut all communications to the V-bomb

launching sites within forty-eight hours. Already V-bomb bombardment of England had decreased.

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AMERICAN TROOPS **FREE 33,000 REDS**

Tuetoburger Wald, Germany April 3 (A. P.)).—About 33,000 Russian war prisoners, most of them looking like walking dead, were liberated from a squalid German camp in this wooded area yesterday by the Second Armored Division.

Just outside the barbed wire liam C. Andrews of Rfd. 2, Gal- had dictated this text of a garishly fences, the Eighty-second Reconnaissance Group under command of Lieut.-Col. Wheeler H. Merriam, Framingham, Mass., found the mass a of some 30,000 other prisc

ther prisonrs
The German guards and their commanders already had released finally cleared. The 53d Welsh Divi- the captives and were waiting to sion pushed eight miles east of surrender to the Americans. The Gronau and captured Ochtrup. The famished prisoners, ignoring their rescuers, rushed to the storehouses, gulped handfuls of raw flour and scraped food bits off the floor or dug for potatoes with side the wire.

Two Russian doctors who had been at the camp more than three years said they had records showing more than 30,000 Russians died of typhus and starvation or

GERMANS REJECT

WITH THE U. S. NINTH ARMY, Germany, April 3 - (AP) It was led his troops in a white-flag parade just like a movie, with all sorts of salutes, heel-clicking and heil Hitlers, but the bemedaled Nazi commandant refused to surrender Duisburg to soft-voiced second Lt. Christopher M. Gooch, Jr., of Ten- ing rubble heaps of a city that once

Gooch and two doughboys of the U. S. 79th Division rowed across the Rhine-Herne can al yesterday guys keep on fighting?" following a "behind-the-hand" invitation from the Germans.

An encouraging delegation met them, blindfolded them and took them before the German commay. dant, a snappy major.

Gooch told the German that Duisburg and the whole Ruhr were hopelessly encircled and he might as well surrender.

"We have no other choice but to and the Eatherland," the Ger-

A led by his interpreter, Joseph Enderp of New York, who was promoted from Pfc. to Sergeant for the heart of the business district the day's efforts, Gooch spent four, hours arguing with the German, exact.

Among other things he asked the German if he knew what a bad situation his country was in, especially the Ruhr.

"I can tell you the name of every American outfit arcund us and where they are," the major responded, and was equally stony to all persuasion.

Finally Gooch gave up and left along with Enderp and Pvt. Wil-

latan, Tenn.

Gooch had been authorized to accept the surrender of any Germans.

"They were agreeable enough at company and at battalion beadquarters," he said, "but at the top this character who was right off a Hollywood set wouldn't play."

Gooch and his men said the Germans who had greeted them happily when they touched shore seemed sad when they left, possibly because this was the second time surrender had been rejected.

Aschaffenburg's Two Alternatives

Aschaffenburg, Germany, April 3 this German barracks city on the banks of the River Main surrendered today to the 45th Infantry Division of the United States 7th SURRENDER OFFER battle in which both German civilians and soldiers fought the battle in which both German civ- were chased back into town. Americans.

> Shortly after 9 A.M., the ruthfrom the old four-towered castle in the heart of the city.

The Answer Found

And here, in the flaming, smokhad sheltered 40,000 Germans, the GI's found an answer to the oftrepeated question, "Why do these

It was not, as some had guessed, those 40,000 cases of cognac and liqueurs stored in a big German army warehouse down by the Main River. The fancy potables had been stolen from the French and some of the cases still were labeled for New York importers.

It was not because of the German Army's supply dump, with its fight on in the name of our Fueh- more than 1,000,000 food rations. The Germans kept on fighting after both these prizes had fallen into United States hands.

> The real answer was found in -at No. 5 Herstallstrasse, to be

The Hanging Example

There in front of a wineshop hung the body of a young German but he was not blindfolded. He around his neck, with the other more than three years. end of the rope tied to a steel support for a sign.

painted placard tacked to the front of the wineshop:

"Cowards and traitors hang! "Yesterday-an officer candidate from Alsace-Lorraine died a hero's death in destroying an enemy tank. He lives on.

"Today-here hangs a coward in officer's garb because he betrayed the Führer and the people. He is dead forever."

New Panther Tanks Wrecked

KASSEL, April 3 (A)-Shortly before noon tremendous explosions coming from the heart of the city indicated that the Germans were blowing up military installations preparatory to giving up the fight.

While the Eightieth Division's men were crashing through Kassel's outer defenses yesterday a (P)—The die-hard Nazi garrison in column of twenty-eight German tanks, fresh off the assembly line. charged through doughboys in the southern suburb of Zwehren and knocked out some American tanks Army after a fierce week-long and tank destroyers before they

Six of the enemy tanks, including four Panthers, were wrecked The paint on the tanks, produced less German Major von Lambert at the Henschel locomotive works, was hardly dry. Their speedometers registered just fifteen miles-the distance they took on their circuitous route from the factory to the place where they were stopped.

The camp, on the outskirts of Tuetorburger Wald, south of Bielefeld was liberated by the 82nd reconnaissance group of the Second Armored division under command of Lt. Col. Wheeler H. Merriani, Framingham, Mass. Coming through a wooded area in the rain late yesterday, the Americans found a group of low huts surrounded by barbed wire.

"I saw a group of prisoners standing by the road waving white flags," Merriam said. "They were Russians belonging to the camp and inside, waiting to surrender. were their guards and the camp commander.

When the prisoners saw we had taken over, they rushed from the huts and headed straight for the cook shack. Some of them stuck their heads inside flour barrels and started eating raw flour. Others rushed about scraping odds and ends off the floor. Some broke out of camp and ate anything they came across until rounded up by the Americans."

"There were some guards in towers around the camp who were afraid to come down until we had quieted most of the prisoners," said Lt. Charles Fink New York

What cigarets and food that could be spared were given the

Russians, he almost turned white doctors who had been at the camp with fright and refused to answer. more than three years.

The doctors said they had records showing that more than 30,000 Russians died during that time from typhus and starvation or were shot to death trying to escape. This figure seemed extremely high until we toured the hospitals. All the prisoners looked dazed, pale and listless, even those walking about. There were 1.500 tuberculosis cases. tended by five men in a camp two miles away.

The dead were found in mass graves just outside the barbed wire enclosure,

Inside the hospital buildings the scenes were shocking. A great number of prisoners had been brought in from the eastern front the week before after 45 days of marching on foot and eight days of travel in cars. The total amount of food each had received in that time was one half a pound of bread.

"Look," said the Russian doctor, asking several to take off their ragged clothes.

From the waist up the skin hung oose on the bones. They looked like walking skeletons, with the skin pulled tight around their foreheads, making them look like skulls. One man had weighed more than 200 pounds when captured. He now weighed 110 pounds

Some of the men could not stand on their feet more than a few seconds and had to cling to wooden benches to remain upright.

There were more than 1,300 such starved remnants of men in one section of the hospital.

The hospital received the "best food," said the doctors, adding that it consisted of two dishes of watery barley soup and two slices of bread

One non-commissioned German officer, offering an excuse for the conditions, said: "There were too many Russians."

GEN. ROSE KILLED

WHITEHAND WITH THE U. S. FIRST ARMY. April 3-(AP) Daring Maj. Gen. Maurice Rose was shot to death in a woods near Paderborn by a German tankman whose shouted orders the captured commander of the U. S. Third Armored division could not understand.

the head as he started to surren- the turret of a tank which infilder his pistol to the German who trated into American lines south a machine pistol. The aide, Maj

Robert Bellinger, White Plains, N Y., and other officers who were with Rose, fled as the German fired, and escaped.

Rose, who enlisted at the age of 17 during the first World war and won his way to the top from the range can be from the Africa, Sici-ly and on the day harrough France by his intrepidity and constant desire to be in the thick of action.

On the day of his death he was directing the Third Armored's fight to capture an important road junction. Starting out in a jeep to find another of his task force commanders. Rose ran head-on into a group of German Tiger tanks that had infiltrated the American lines. His jeep and an armored car carrying other members of his staff wheeled across a field through a woods but ran into another German tank and Rose prepared to surrender.

The German soldier, standing in the tank turret, broke forth in a torrent of words. Major Bellinger said the General kept fepeating: "I don't understand."

Then Rose, apparently concluding the German meant for him to give up his weapon, reached to unfasten his holster. The German killed him. After the enemy forces had been cleared from the sector, Rose's body was found where he

"It may have been that the General misunderstood what the German wanted and when he dropped his hands to lift the holster the tankman thought he was going to fight," a First army officer said.

The 45-year-old General lived at Denver, Col.

Gen. Rose Shot On Surrender

By Don Whitehead With the 1st Army, April 3 (A)-Maj. Gen. Maurice Rose, brilliant commander of the 3d Armored Division, which spearheaded the 1st Army's great drive from the Rhine River deep into Germany, was shot to death near Paderborn March 30 by a German tankman as the General started to surrender his arms after being captured.

Companions said the tall, handsome general was shot through the head as he lifted his pistol holster The tall, handsome general was felled on March 30 by a bullet in his aide with a machine-pistol from af Paderborn.

Run Into Tiger Tanks

33,000 Starving Red Prisoners Liberated by Yanks in Reich

By WES GALLAGHER TUETOBURGER WALD, Germany, April 3-(AP) Freed from one of Germany's largest prisoner of war camps by a Second Armored Division column, some 33,000 starying Russians used their first hours of liberty in wild hunt for food.

While hardened Americans looked on in horror at conditions that brought death to an estimated 30,-000 other Russians during the past three years, the emaciated survivors rushed to almost empty storehouses, crammed their mouths with raw flour, craped food bits off the floors and up with bony hands for potatoes in nearby fields.

Must Have Rich Food

"These men must have rich food lieutenant. His hands were tied, for a long time if they are to live," commented a Russian doctor who swung from a rope twisted tightly had been held at the camp for

When one of the German guards was asked if he would be content Civilians said he was hanged on to be kept prisoner under the same

prisoners by the reconnaissance group. This morning more per- daily. manent arrangements were being made by the 30th division which had come upon some of the staryed Russians pillaging farms near-

This correspondent and Gordon Gammack of the Des Moines (Iowa) Register toured the camp today. This is what we saw and heard:

The camp is composed of scores of small huts with wooden bunks. Many of the prisoners were in hospitals while the rest had been farmed out in gangs to work in nearby factories and arms plants. Those too ill to work here were put in buildings taken care of by Russian doctors.

Accompanied by Doctor

We were accompanied on our tour by a Russian prisoner who had been in the camp three and a half years since his capture at Minsk and who had been a scientific the orders of von Lambert, who conditions the Germans kept these worker at Moscow. He spoke Eng. had Rose and his aide covered with lish, With us went two Russian

He started back in a jeep with his aide, Major Robert Bellinger, of White Plains, N.Y., trying to find another of his task force commanders, when he turned a curve and ran head-on into Tiger tanks on the road which a short while before had been carrying 1st Army traffic. An armored car was following with other members of his staff.

Meet Another Tank

The General's driver wheeled the jeep across a field through woods. but ran head-on into another German tank, and the General got out of his jeep to surrender.

As he stood with hands over his head the German holding a machine pistol in the tank turret unloosed a torrent of words.

"I don't understand," the general kept saying, according to Bellinger.

Takes Hands Down

Then apparently the general thought his captor meant for him to surrender his arms and he took his hands down to lift the holster from his shoulder. That was when the German fired.

Bellinger and other officers and men in the armored car made a dash for freedom and escaped, mak- G. I.s Discover Hitler's ing instead of running, and thereby ing their way to their headquarters hours later. The General's body was found where he was shot.

Able, Well-Liked

"It may have been that the General misunderstood what the German wanted and when he dropped his hands to lift the holster the 3 (AP).-A fabulous rock-hewn tankman thought he was going to fight," a 1st Army officer said.

Rose was one of the most able and well-liked Generals in the 1st Army. He came up the hard wayhaving enlisted in the Army as a youth of 17 during World War I.

Mov and Wife Prostrate. Department news of the death of Zandenheim, just west of the Gen. Rose left his wife and famed resort center of Bar Naumother prostrate with grief. His heim. The place called the Adler- bluff it out, so I told them they were father, Rabbi Samuel Rose, spoke horst, was so well concealed that surrounded and had better give up. of his son's sacrifice as further evidence of the Jewish people's "love of liberty and freedom for all peoples."

American troops thought at first they had come into possession of just a other pinery.

Hitler passed much of his time

The 89-year-old Rabbi Rose, his there in 1940, when he frequently Panzer divisions around. He said if voice rising and falling as he sat was accompanied by Joachim von we had he would surrender. So I holding a cane commented: "It is Ribbentrop, Heinrich Himmler well that, since this had to be, it Rudolf Hess and Martin Bormann happened in the week of Pass- Each had guadily appointed suites "And there I was lost and didn't over. As Jehovah said, 'When I of rooms.

with advance elements giving per- you,' he spoke not only to the Field Marshal Kari Rudolf Gerd to go get some tanks so they could a staff officer entered the room. task force commendares, had gone Gentiles, to Americans, to Ger-Jews but to all peoples, to the von Rundstedt dwelt in the Adler- surrender with honor. So I tore the mans, to all peoples. When I see counter-offensive of last Deceming for a tank or anything. I found

this sacrifice and see the blood stedt as German commander on and pass over all peoples for the western front. Kesselring's their sins at this Passover time, tenancy was cut short by the arfor my son's sake."

CAPTURED GENERAL

With the Fourth Armored Division in Germany, April 2 (Delayed).—(A. P.).—Brig. Gen. Paul GI TALKS 110 NAZIS Steinbach, former German military commune of two Italian provinces, was captured today and immediately professed hatred of Hitler. Eighth Regiment infantrymen caught him in a German hospital, where he was re- Decides Volubility Is The Betcuperating after an operation.

"I sympathize with those who have made attempts on Hitler's life," he said. "It would be better for Germany if they suc-

Alternate Berchtesgaden Rock-Hewn Hideaway Found West of Bad Nauheim

WITH THE UNITED STATES 80TH DIVISION, Germany, April "eagle's nest" from which Adolf Hitler master-minded the conquest of France has fallen to the Americans.

The mountain hideaway of a thousand air-conditioned chambers, which must stand in the class with Berchtesgaden, was captured Denver April 3 (A. P.).-War by the 80th Infantry Division at

"And so, may Jehovah accept Kesselring, who succeeded Rund-quietly. That's all there was to it." rival of the Americans.

> The many rooms of the Adlerhorst and their three-mile-long connecting corridors were hewn With 7th Army in Germany, from solid rock near the top of a April 3 (P)-Two soldiers who died mountain on which rests the re- to save their patrol from an ammains of the ancient Ziegenhain bush last year have received Con-

ter Part Of Valor

With the 2d Armored Division April 3 (AP)-Private Woody Williams, of Chester, Ill., figured he had a better chance to live by talk- yards from the enemy. He reloaded he delivered 110 German prisoners, complete with their officers, to prison cages.

Williams, 23 years old, is a motorcycle rider for the 82d Reconnaissance Group.

He had been databled to round up a tank lost in the rear. But he made wrong turn and came to the outskirts of a village.

"I saw some Germans on a side road," Williams said. "It looked too late to turn back, so I went on. They wanted to surrender. I asked if there were any more in the village and they said yes and they probably wanted to surrender too. was pretty scared, but I had to

"They took me to the captain and I told him the same thing. He took me to the commandant and he wanted to know if we had any

"Tanks? Hell, Yes"

know where I was. They told me

horst while plotting the Ardennes hell out of there and started look the sacrifice, the blood, I will ber. Later the quarters were inherited by Field Marshal Albert all lined up and ready to come

Medals Of Honor

gressional Medals of Honor posthumously in one of the rare cases in which the decoration has been awarded to more than one person for the same action.

They were Pfc, Herbert Christian, Steubenville, Ohio, and Private Eldon Johnson, East Weyvate Eldon Johnson, East Wey-mouth, Mass., of the 3d Division, who were killed holding off a heavy ambushing force near Val-monte, Itale, la June, after or-dering the assistant patrol leader to take the rest of the men to safety.

His right leg severed above the knee, Christian, advancing on his left knee and his right stump, killed three Germans with a tommygun and staggered into a position ten his tommygun and emptied it into the enemy position.

Johnson walked toward the enemy line with an automatic rifle, diverting fire to himself from the patrol. At five paces from a machine-gun nest he fired a long burst, killing four Germans. Machine-gun bullets caught him, and he went to his knees, but he emptied his rifle at the enemy.

21ST ARMY GROUP HEAD- conferred with Gen. Dwight D. QUARTERS, April 3 (A).—Major Eisenhower today. General Rennie, commander of the British 51st Highland Division, was killed in school during the Rhine River crossing, it was disclosed today.

PATTON'S THIRD ARMY WITHIN SIX

LONDON, April 3-(AP) Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's Third army armored forces are, in one respect, even outrunning the Allied Air

Airmen here en of assembling in a briefing room for details of Capture Wiener Neustadt in a mission in support of Patton's 17 Mile Advance Through Before the huladi-

ene priering was completed "The mission is scrubbed (can-

celled), gentlemen." he said, "Patton's troops already have reached our objective." Hungarians Attack U. S. Tanks

LONDON, April 3 (A).-The German communique said today that Hungarian troops are fighting American forces in the west. The communique said a Hungarian anti-tank unit had destroyed seven United States tanks with the Nazi version of the bazooka.

SS MURDER UNIT NAZI IS CAPTURED

Paris, April 3 (A. P.).-Among the 4,821 prisoners taken by the First Army yesterday was one who belonged to an SS (Elite Guard) company which had assassinated captured Americans in a snowcovered field near Malmedy. Belgium, during the German Ardennes counter-offensive last December. When an intelligence officer discovered that the man had belonged to that unit, the German lieutenant hastily produced a certificate purporting to show that he was in a leadership training school during that battle. The prisoner said he had nothing to do with those murders. On the contrary, he protested, he had heard of his unit's action and was shocked.

General Arnold Is in France PARIS, April 3 (AP)-Gen. Henry H. Arnold, Commander of the United States Tray are Horces,

British General Killed in Action arrived in France last night and

Nazi Defenses.

PERIL BRATISLAVA

WH

Soviet Troops Cut Vienna-Venice Railway, Race Across Slovakia.

LONDON, Wednesday, April 4-(AP) Tank-riding Russian infantrymen captured the great Messerschmitt plane center of Wiener Neustadt south of Vienna yesterday and then swiftly broke 17 miles through enemy defenses, slashing dromes, fell in a two-day advance within six miles of the imperiled Austrian capital.

The powerful Soviet surge carried Marshal Feodor I. Tolbukhin's Third Ukrainian army into the administrative district of greater Vienna

Cut Vienna Railway

Tolbukhin's troops severed the main Vienna-Venice railroad and highway to the Italian front, and simultaneously, a second Soviet army thrashed toward the city from the east. Moscow revealed that Marshal Rodion Y. Malinovsky's Second Ukrainian army was within 11 miles of a juncture with Tolbukhin as the two groups squeezed the Nazi defenders of the Bratislava, capital of Slovakia, it-

self was imperiled closely as Malinovsky's army hurled a 20-mile siege are around the city and outflanked it on the southwest in a two-day advance of 20 miles along the south bank of the Danube. Bratislava's south bank communications with Vienna were cut, and Moscow's midnight communique announced that suburban Prjevoz, three-quarters of a mile from the Slovak capital, had been captured.

"Vienna now is in the fighting zone," the Nazi Transocean agency said as SS troops under Col. Gen. Sepp Dietrich, former chief of Hitler's bodyguard, forcibly mobilized the Viennese to the barricades.

Meanwhile, Moscow announced that Malinovsky's army had capturned Kremnica, 10 miles west of Banska Bystrica in central Slovakia as the Second Ukrainians extended their active front to 128 miles, driving into the rugged Carpathians and threatening the key junction of Zilina, 35 miles north of Kremnica. In the far north, Marshal Kostantin K. Rokossovsky's Second White Russian army was mopping up enemy resistance east of captured

Danzig and took Neuendorf, two miles southeast of Danzig on the plains of the Vistula delta. These troops broke onto the Westerplatte Snad Spit, guarding Danzig harbor, and won Krakau and Heubude.

As Soviet forces drove within artillery range of Vienna, Moscow announced that the Second and Third Ukrainian armies had captured 23,000 prisoners and boosted to 75,150 the number taken in Austria, Hungary and Slovakia in three days.

Wiener Neustadt Falls Wiener Neustadt, with its huge assembly plants and nearby air-

of eight miles. The city was highly fortified, the Germans fighting from every house and factory, but it fell swiftly to Tolbukhin's shock troops. It lies 22 miles south of Vienna and had a pre-war popula tion of 37,000.

Capitalizing on a crossing of the Leitha river, Tolbukhin's forces then dashed toward Vienna, sweeping through a web of highways and railroads, each a defense line, and captured Velm, only six miles south of the metropolitan limits and witnin the boundaries of Vienna set by the Nazi party. They were within a mile of the railroad linking Vienna with the fortress city of Bruck in the Bratislava gap east of the capital.

The surge by-passed the sulphur spa of Baden, 10 miles south of Vienna, and the Russians captured Traiskirchen, two miles northeast of that town. Nine miles to the southwest, they broke into Matzendorf, two miles south of Leobersdorf, carrying a secondary railroad from Vienna west to Linz.

While these forces swept up the Leitha river valley, other forces broke across the 1,575-foot Leitha mountains, taking industrial Ebenfurth, seven miles northwest of Wiener Neustadt, The latter also drove along the west shore of the Neusiedler See (lake) and over the range and won Mannersdorf. These forces were eight miles southwest of Bruck and 11 miles from a juncture with Malinovsky's army which or ve up the east shore of the Verni der See and captured Parnoori, four miles east of Bruck, and 16 miles east of Vienna.

Capture of Parndorf outflanked Bratislava 14 miles on the southwest. Other hard-hitting units meanwhile drove along the Danube's south bank, swept up the industrial center of Magyarovar, 19 miles southeast of Bratislava, and seized Kittsee, two and a half miles south of the Slovak capital as they pushed into the 10-mile wide

many's foreign slave workers, Tol- defenses at the approaches to cast. bukhin's troops captured Eisen- Vienna." stadt on the southern slopes of the Leitha mountains.

Tolbukhin's troops were working southwest of Wiener Neustadt. their way to the crest of the 1,575foot range and that some units already had spilled down into the val- Marshal Stalin announced that ley before Vienna.

Nine and 16 miles southwest of Cloggnitz, cutting one trans-Alpine below the Danube. highway from the war arsenals of Austria and Czechoslovakia to German troops in Italy.

Wiener Neustadt lies on the parallel direct trunk railroad linking midway between Vienna and Wie-Vienna with Venice and Trieste, ner Neustadt, but claimed the Gerand by taking Gloggnitz, the Russians pushed within seven miles of the 3,215-foot Semmering pass and were 137 miles east of Hitler's mountain retreat at Berchtesgaden.

While Tolbukhin's troops thus destroyed the defensive triangle south of Vienna and threatened to engulf from the rear the enemy defenders of the Bratislava gap, traditional eastern gateway to Vienna, the Berlin radio admitted serious reversals.

Foe Admits "Reverses"

The Berlin radio, admitting serious reverses, said Tolbukhin's troops had broken deep "into the main German battlefield east of Baden," which was the headquarters of the Austrian general staff in the last war.

was sending military demolition experts to Vienna to teach special squads how to destroy the most and municipal works.

Thirteen miles east of Wiener Neustadt, whose pre-war populator, also had been captured. The order described the cities as "im"Vienna now is in the fighting istry of Health today requested ovacues to say the country." Thirteen miles east of Wiener southwest of the industrial cen-the main Red Army lines perore signs that the V-weapon war

The order also announced that Marshal Tolbukin's forces had Moscow dispatches said that taken Neunkirchen, ten miles

Marshal Rodion I. Malinovsky's 125 miles west of the pass. forces had captured Magyarovar. Wiener Neustadt, Tolbukhin's eighteen miles south of Bratitroops captured Neunkirchen and slava in a thrust toward Vienna main Vienna-Grazrailroad and only yesterday while RAF heavy bomb-

> Transocean said the Russians in bold thrust from the southeast had reached the Baden, area, about mans had "succeeded in halting the onrushing" Red troops in the area immediately south of the Austrian

Drive For Bruenn Indicated

The German agency also reported Marshal Rodion Y. Malinovsky had started a new drive northward from his positions near Bratislava, capital of the puppet State of Slovakia, probably aimed at Bruenn, second city of Czechoslovakia and machine gun manufacturing center. At captured Modra the Russians were about 70 miles southeast of Bruenn.

The Germans said Malinovsky's 2d Ukrainian Army troops were Vienna to mobilize the capital battering at the gates of Bratislava against the Russians. Dietrich's asand indicated the Germans were signment was announced after The Moscow radio said Berlin prepared to sacrifice the city on the scale of Budapest.

Inside Wiener Neustadt, Transocean said, "heavy street fighting clared an open city. important industrial installations continues to rage" as additional

Pass In Alps Attacked

Another Russian force was reported attacking the Semmering Pass in the Austrian Alps, 27 miles southwest of Wiener Neustadt, in a In a second order of the day drive which outflanked the industrial city and Vienna. Berchtesgaden, Hitler's fortified retreat, is

The Germans gave every indica. route to Berlin. reported preparing.

Rioting Reported

Reports of violent anti-Nazi rioting in the city suggested, however, that some Viennese opposed The Aple 10th leavy bombers, the idea of turning it into a bat- 750 strong and accompanied by 650 tleground, as the Nazis did at Buda- Mustang fighters, found the Kiel pest. In an unconfirmed broadcast, harbor full of ships, but clouds prethe Brussels radio said Allied lead- vented all but occasional glimpses ers had been informed that Free of the target area and observers Austrian units now were operating said only a few bombs dropped as military forces behind German among vessels.

Adolf Hitler had sent the ironhanded chief of his personal bodyguard, Col. Gen. Sepp Dietrich, to the Nazi-appointed mayor of the Austrian capital announced that 'enemy agents" were spreading rumors that Vienna would be de-

Bischdorf was seized by forces Red Army troops drove into the which hurdled the Little Danube River at points east of Bratislava and crossed on to Great Schuett Island. Other units swept south across the 11-mile-wide island and in gains of 14 miles in 24 hours, reached the north bank of the main channel of the Danube at Gutor

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evacuees to say if the country

England has been free of rocket and flying bomb attacks for four days, since the Germans started fleeing northern Holland.

London, Wednesday, April 4 (A). United States Flying Fortresses Penetration of the Semmering bombed three submarine and ship-126 miles from the Italian border ers hit enemy barracks and troop The Russians also are in a position concentrations at Nordhausen, 55 to cut the Vienna-Klagenfort railmiles east of Kassel on the direct

hide-out of the Nazis have been over Berlin and Magdeburg, both attacked Monday night, and also fighters. were over western Germany.

Anti-Aircraft Fire Intense

The specific targets were the The Berlin radio revealed that Deutsche Werke, Krupp Germania Werft and Kriegsmarine Werft.

Intense anti-aircraft fire at some points cost the raiders one bomber and three fighters, but the German Air Force did not challenge over the North Sea port where one of the greatest air battles of the war was fought in June, 1943.

15th And 12th Active

While the 8th was bombing Kiel in the north, elements of the Italybased 15th and 12 Air forces car ried into the fourth straight day their strafing and bombing attacks designed to cut German lines of communication in Austria and thus aid the Russian armies.

The Kiel attack—the nineteenth against this target since May, 1943followed rocket raids last night by the RAF coastal command on German shipping and dock facilities at Sande Fjord, off the Norwegian coast, where seven merchant ships were destroyed or damaged and a tanker and dry docks were blown up; Mosquito raids on Berlin and Magdeburg and attacks on commu nications and airfields in northwest Germany and Holland.

The 8th Air Force's intensive bombardment of Nazi naval bases began March 30 with simultaneous attacks on Wilhelmshaven, Bremen and Hamburg by the year's record force of 1,400 heavy bomb-London, April 3 (P)-Despite ers. Those attacks, it was an-

nounced today, sank two submafines and a large motor ship, set fire to the 6,000-ton light cruiser Koln and five other vessels, and blasted a trail of heavy damage through submarine pens, shipyards, docks, oil plants and engineering

R. A. F. Assaults Berlin.

Despite unfavorable weather R

750 Fortresses Blast Kiel

Pass put the Russians across the building yards at Kiel, Germany, 8th Air Force Pounds Naval Base, While 15th Attacks Austrian Rail Bridge.

London, April 3 (A. P.) .- The United States Eighth tion of organizing for a last-ditch The air offensive continued into Air Force renewed its blows against German shipping todefense of the Austrain capitol, the night, with the German radio day with a heavy attack on the Kiel naval base by approxgateway city to the mountainous announcing that RAF planes were imately 750 Flying Fortresses with an escort of 650

> In another assault on the Nazis United States Fifteenth Air Force of Klagenfurt in Austria.

> The attack on Kiel broke a twoday lull in the daylight air offensive from Britain, enforced by stormy weather.

> Kiel is one of Germany's major northwestern ports and 240-ton submarines are built in its yards. Three other naval bases-Bremen, Hamburg and Wilhelmshavenwere attacked last Friday by ,400 heavy bombers.

> > Many Vessels at Kiel.

A United States Army Air Forces spokesman said recent reconnaissance flights showed that Kiel has been blasted eighteen lowed by a great explosion that times previously by American blew up both the ship and the heavy bombers. heavy bombers.

et sites.

The span east of Klegenfurt, about eighty miles from the Rus- United States 9th Air Force sian front, was damaged, the fighters shot down seventeen American flyers reported. The enemy aircraft yesterday without

weather, but Twelfth Air Force areas. One Mustang pilot, Lieut fighter-bombers roared over the Bruce W. Carr Union Spring, N.Y., highways and railroads of north- accounted for five Nazis. ern Yugoslavia and southeast based heavy bombers again yester-Austria, strafing German trans. day. For the first time this year port in the van of the advancing they were idle for two days Russian armies.

Lightnings and fighter bombers from Italy the ted the Tannach-Stein rail bridge ten miles east lering German war machine were the principal target of the Mosquitoes at Magdeburg, seventy miles southwest of Berlin.

R. A. F. night raiders also attacked enemy communications and airfields over a large area in northwest Germany and Holland.

A rocket bomb attack last night by R. A. F. Coastal Command planes destroyed or damaged seven German merchant ships and exploded a large dry dock in the anchorage of Sande Fjord on the Norwegian coast, it was announced today.

Pilots reported that a number a large number of naval vessels of direct rocket hits on a German were berthed in the Kiel harbor. tanker in the dry docks was fol-

A Canadian night fighter shot It has been speculated here down one German JU-88 bomber. that the desperate Nazis might making a total of eighteen Nazi attempt to launch V-bombs planes downed yesterday for a loss against England from U-boats to of three Allied planes-one Mosreplace their north Holland rock- quito bomber and two coastal command fighters.

9th Bags 17 Planes

bridge is over the Drava River. loss in three encounters with an Fifteenth Air Force heavies estimated 150 German fighters over still were grounded by the the Gotha, Erfurt and Weimar

Meanwhile, it was officially an-A. F. Mosquitos last night at nounced that Aliled planes opertacked Berlin and Magdeburg, the ating from Britain and bases be-British announced today, renew-hind the Western front plastered ing an Allied air offensive that Germany during March with nearly broke all records during March, two and one half times the bomb weight the Nazis have hurled on England by plane and V-bomb since the war started.

200,000 Tons On Reich

The United States 8th and 9th Air Forces rained 106,500 tons on the Reich during March and the RAF. operating from Britain and Western Europe, poured down 82,880 tons. Tens of thousands of additional tons were dropped on Germany by Italy-based planes, which also had a record month.

Berlin was attacked for 29 consecutive nights by Mosquitos, which dropped more than 2,000 tons of bombs, an official RAF summary said. The British reported the introduction of the 22,000-pound vol-The overnight raids ended Gerof viaducts and concrete U-boat many's two-day and two-night shelters. The RAF announced the respite from bombing attacks. loss of 256 British planes during

EISENHOWER SAYS

LONDON, April 3 .- (AP) Gen Eisenhower, declaring "the end is not far off," broadcast an appeal to town dwellers in western Germany today to stop working, and at the same time the Twelfth army group broadcast a warning to trapped German forces in the Ruhr to surrender or be wiped out.

The Army group, over the Luxembourg radio, told encircled enemy troops estimated at 110,000 that there is no hope for you.

"Yo must know that this is no longer the message said "x x x Further fighting would be un-soldierlike. Honest soldiers do not resort to murder and suicide,

"Army group 'B' is encircled and the German High command has lost this command. The 160th tank division and the Second Parachutist division who tried to break out have shown how impossible this proves.

"x x x Follow the orders of surrender issued by Gen. Eisenhower. Those who follow his orders will live. Others will not."

The call was directed to 15 German divisions in the cities of Duesseldorf, Duisburg, Essen, Dorthund, Wuppertal, Remscheid, Gladbach and Weissen.

Eisenhower's message, broadcast

Reds Take Wiener Neustadt

London, April 3 (A. P.).—Russian troops have cap- and Samoryn, 8 and 11 miles southtured Wiener Neustadt, the Messerschmitt assembly center twenty-five miles south of Vienna, Marshal Stalin J Russian spearheads were re-

ported by the German High Command to have reached the Baden area about femoniles south of the Austrian capital.

Other Centers Captured.

Marshal Stalin also announced that Eisenstadt, twelve miles an early assault on Berlin from the northwest of Wiener Neustadt Russian's middle Oder River spring-

Breslau Fight Intensified

German propaganda broadcasts said the Russians had stepped up their assault on embattled Breslau in Silesia with heavy artillery fire and that "the whole west part of the town is now aflame with battle."

The Nazi radio also predicted and Glognitz, eighteen miles boards, reporting that "lively activity had been observed" behind

by the Office of War Information and over other Allied radios, exhorted western Germany townsfolk to cease work, take refuge. keep clear of factories, highways and railroads, shun enlistment in the Volkssturm and obey American military government units when they arrive.

Urges Piecemeal Surrender.

London, April 3 (A. P.).-Gen. Eisenhower's call to the German army to surrender piecemeal, first made March 31, was repeated tonight. All Allied radio stations beamed into Germany the Supreme Commander's instructions and statement that the German Government and army had lost control over large areas and military units.

Army formations no longer re ceiving orders from the German command were told to cease hostilities. Scattered units and straggling individuals were instructed to display the customary signs of surrender and report to the nearest Allied unit.

Foe 'Ripe For Annihilation'

hower proclaimed today in a special order that the fate of enemy troops cut off in the Ruhr is sealed and that the trapped forces are "ripe for annihilation."

The text:

"To every many of the AEF.
"The encir dement of the Ruhr by a wide pincer movement has cul off the whole of Army Group B and parts of Army Group H, thus form for defeatism, hiding food supplies ing a large pocket of enemy troops and acting against the Reich. The whose fate is sealed and who are city's food situation was reported ripe for annihilation.

"The most vital industrial area is denied to the German war potential. This magnificent feat of arms will bring the war more rapidly to a close. It will long be remembered in history as an outstanding battle -the battle of the Ruhr.'

NAZIS CLAIM

Report 'Werewolves' Kill U.S. Official, Yank Soldiers

London, April 3 (A)-Nazi highway shooting March 31 on the Flynn was planning to leave Lon- and one of President Roosevelt's "Werewolf" terrorists were de-clared in a German broadcast to-night to have kidnapped and slain an American military government of the state of Baruch's stay remained in the speculated be might remain here "Werewolf" terrorists were de outskirts of Berlin. official and ambushed and killed desirable refugees" reaching the until the collapse of the Nazis, as American soldiers in Aachen and other occupied towns.

The reports were without Allied substantiation.

During the day, however, Allied transmitters repeatedly broadcast General Eisenhower's warning that any German attacking Allied personnel behind the lines would be "arrested, tried and shot" under International law.

Threat Against Baruch

The self-styled "werewolf station," which recently broadcast a threat against the life of Bernard Baruch, adviser to President Roose-velt, said:

"During an ambush of a convoy of American civilians yesterday. our comrades took prisoner the secretary of th American liquidation commission for occupied German territory (apparently a reference to the American Military Government).

"He was to organize the annihila tion of all Germans. Before we finished him off he declared the seat of the commission is to be transferred to Coblenz. So, werewolves of Coblenz, be ready to strike."

Report 6,000 Executed

The underground radio said "American soldiers are ambushed daily" at Aachen.

Swiss reports said Nazis had executed 6,000 persons in the Vienna area for defeatism, sabotage and demonstrations as the high command struggled to keep resistance alive in the last phases of the war.

Ten thousand persons were reported arrested in the Munich area

A spokesman for German Foreign Minister Joachim von Ribbentrop denied foreign reports that the German Government had left Perlin, Transocean reported. Simultaneous frontier reports said the exiled quisting governments in Germany were moving into the neighborhood of Salzburg, in Austria's Bavarian Alps.

Propagandists Active

Swiss-German frontier travelers said Baldur Von Schirach, Nazi leader in Vienna, had moved his headquarters to Linz.

The Luxembourg radio, without stating its source, said Von Schirach had been killed and Dr. Ernst ill. Kaltenbrunner, chief Gestapo aide, severely wounded, and suggested they were victims of a reported

occupied nations.

Inside Germany, Nazi propagoing until an underground organ open April 25. ization can be set up.

London, April 3 (A. P.).—The Luxembourg radio said today ahead for the opening meeting without stating the source of its April 25. although one authoritainformation that Baldur von tive spokesman said "it is only Schirfach, Gauleiter of Austria, common sense to realize that things had been killed and that Ernst may happen which will necessitate Kaltenbrunner, Himmler's chief its postponement.' gestapo aid, severely wounded and suggested they were the victims of the March 31 highway shooting on the outskirts of Berlin. The German radio last night approunced that the Berlin police announced that the Berlin police cut by the end of the war. (\$10,000) reward for information leading to the capture of the smaller exiled governments said he assassins who stopped a big had been instructed by his supelimousine in the capital' riors not to say anything about the fashionable Gruenewald suburl possibility of postponement. and killed two passengers and Field Marshal Jan Christiaan the driver of the car.

Baruch, Flynn

London, April 3 (AP)-Two of President Roosevelt's top-ranking and the future of the empire's advisers were in the same London hotel today, giving rise to speculation whether their presence was keyed to the expectation of Germany's collapse.

They were Presidential Adviser Bernard Baruch and Edward J. Flynn, former Democratic National Committee Chairman. Presumably they would have the opportunity now to discuss Flynn's trip to Yalta, Moscow, the Vatican and Paris, as well as Baruch's week-end conferences with Prime Minister Church

Flynn Due To Leave Soon So far as could be ascertained,

sentative.

The London Daily Mail said that gandists were stepping up their if the European war ended in the 'hate campaign," studded with ob- next two weeks it might necessitate viously fictitious stories of Allied immediate meetings of the Big atrocities, in what well-informed Three, replacing or at least over-Allied observers believed was an shadowing the San Francisco seeffort to keep outward resistance curity conference scheduled to

Some British newspapers were urging that the conference be postponed. Discussion of such a postponement was predicated largely upon the possibility that problems of an imminent German collapse REPORTED KILLED of an imminent German collapse might interfere with attendance by some of the world's major diplo-

Parley Plans Continue

In London, plans were still going

Told Not To Talk

A spokesman for one of the

Smuts, Prime Minister of the Union of South Africa, and members of his delegation arrived in England today for the opening of a dominions conference tomorrow, a meeting which is likely to focus attention on questions of multiple voting power for Soviet Russia and the United States in a new league: the future of mandated territory and lands captured from the enemy preference trade policy.

Baruch Not Worried

LONDON, April 3 (AP). - The threat of Nazi Werewolves to asnewspaper without comment.

Edward J. Flynn in London J. Flynn, former chairman of the followed the last war, arrived with depot at Hamburg in the same raid Democratic National Committee the South African delegation today. and a large highway bridge which

personal advisers, arrived here to day from Paris and is expected to confer with Amelas dor John G. Winant before leaving for home later this week. He has visited country from Germany or German- the President's on-the-spot-repre- in Moscow and Rome since the Yalta conference.

BRITISH PREPARE

SINGLETON

LONDON, April 3 - (AP) Britain mustered diplomatic represenfor an exploratory meeting opening tomorrow to weld Empire solidarity - particularly on economic problems-in preparation for the San Francisco conference.

The meeting, with no public discussions planned, will begin in an atmposphere of uncertainty over whether possible war developments may delay the April 25 world security assembly.

Talk that V-E day might come before April's end was increased by the presence here of White House advisors Bernard Baruch and Edward J. Flynn, both on secret misto have con place on one-hour call for victory celebration work and an authoritative British source said "it's only common sense to realize that things may happen which will necessitate its (the world conference's) postponement.",

On the eve of the Empire meeting, there were indications of some differences of opinion among dominion representatives. There was a tendency to discount any likelihood that Britain would be able to commit them to a united stand on all

One of the major differences of curity league. England is sure to enemy ports. and Canada and Australia are likely to press for authority commen- the communique said. surate with their claimed positions as "middle powers."

Other questions which probably sassinate Bernard M. Baruch if he sets foot on German soil apparently left the White House confidant unperturbed today. An aid who informed Baruch of the security arrangements and in the security arrangements and in the enemy radio warning said he "just development of world air routes, smiled and went on reading" a and the Empire's preferences in of heavy bombs. future trade relations.

Field Marshal Jan Christian Smuts of the Union of South Afri-LONDON, April 3 (A).—Edward ca, veteran of negotiations which to an oil refinery and oil storage Representatives of New Zealand,

Vatican Peace Appeal | Captured U-Boat Sinks To Germany Is Reported

Osservatore Romano Quoted by Luxemburg Radio

LONDON, April 3 (A).-The Luxembburg radio reported today that the Vatican newspaper. "Osservatore Romano," had "launched an emphatic appeal to the German nation to cease this slaughter."

The broadcast quoted the Vatican paper as declaring: "Even the German propaganca service admitted Germany has lost the war and yet Germany continues this tatives from her dominions today slaughter. The ultimate result will be the destruction of the nation's youth and strength. . . From a political, humane, Christian

point of view, such a conception of honor is satanic lunacy."

Nazi Cruiser, 4 Other Ships Set Afire, 3 Sunk

haven March 30, it was announced prisoners.

Two German submarines were sunk and another damaged, the 8th Air Force said in a special communiqué.

The great engineering workshops, slipways and repair yards were severely battered.

Factories Damaged Submarine building facilities a Bremen and Hamburg also suffered heavy damage in simultaneous at tacks.

The attacks, by 1.400 heavy bombers escorted by 900 fighters. opinion may arise over the issue of made up the largest co-ordinated relative authority within the se- air assault ever launched against burgest co-ordinated

of Russia and the United States, and buildings received direct bomb hits in the thrust against Bremen,

Floating Drydock Hit

At Hamburg a floating drydock containing a large submarine and another vessel received at least ten direct hits.

The Deschimag shipbuildings yards at Bremen, where the latest large-type submarines are produced, were hit by a concentration

Much scattered damage was reported on shipyard installations at Hamburg and Wilhelmshaven.

Heavy damage also was caused was being converted for rail use Canada and Australia also arrived. collapsed during the Bremen attack.

Jap Vessel In Harbor

London, April 3 (A)-Lieu Com. Peter Marriott, the British commander of a captured German submarine, has been awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for sinking a Japanese vessel inside an enemy harbor it was disclosed to-night.

The submarine, now H.M.S. Graph, was the German U-570,

captured intact September 8, 1941 following damage by a British plane.

The vessel, at first used to stalk other submarines, has sunk at least one German U-boat in an 80-minute duel and damaged several others.

In his feat against the Japanese. Commander Marriott stalked his victim 36 hours and finally torpedoed it through the harbor entrance. The time and place were not disclosed.

Canadian Frigate Sinks U-Boat London, April 3 (P)—The German light cruiser Koln, a liner which probably was used as a troopship, and four other vessels troopship, and four other vessels at a fire and a 370-feet motor. were set afire and a 370-foot motor forced the enemy craft to the surship was sunk in an attack by the face with death charges, the Brit-United States 8th Air Force on ish Admirett announced today. The naval dockyards at Wilhelms-Several crew members were made

Ex-Romanian Police Officials Arrested

London, April 3 (A. P.).—Tass the Russian news agency, quoted Romanian newspaper reports today saying that eighty-three former high officials of the Romanian police had been arrested on security charges. Tass also quoted Romanian newspapers reporting the arrest of fifty-six German officers and men in Bucharest after their escape from a prisoner of war camp. It said many had found shelter with Romanian Legionnaires.

Jailed For Aiding Sentry A British London, April 3 (A) girl got six weeks in jail today because, complete with United States uniform and gun, she was found "helping" an American sentry at an airbase A captain make a tour of the

base early today testified that he discovered the girks identity when he noted that two sentries were on duty where only one should have

London, April 3 (AP) - A Soviet spokesman today denounced what 'he termed "troublemakers" in Iceland and said Iceland had no one to blame but herself for failing to get an invitation to the San Francisco conference.

Mikhail Mikhailov, in an English language con mentary over the of-ficial Moscov adio, said certain factions in Iceland were spreading propaganda that the United States and Great Britain wanted to make a 'special case" to give Iceland a conference seat without a declaration of war, but that Russia prevented them.

The stupidity of such a claim is self-evident as is the fact that the decision of the Crimea conference on Iceland's conditional invitation was perfectly unanimous," Mikhailov said. "Anyone can see that conditions for participation in the San Francisco conference cannot be any different for Iceland from what they are for other countries.'

Haile Sclassie Aids Russians

LONDON, Wednesday, April 4 (AP)—The Tass agency, in a broadcast from Moscow today, said that Emperor Haile Sciassic of Ethiopia had donated more than \$40,000 for relief in German-invaded Rus-

And Fight In Italy Seen

Rome, April 3 (P)—Eighth Army troops, striking behind German lines at the extreme eastern end of the Italian front, drove up the narrow finger of land between the Adriatic and the Po di Primaro River yesterday and captured more shot down near Verona. than 200 enemy troops.

Landings on the eastern shore of the Valli di Comacchio Lagoon Mustangs and Caltings strafed made up one phase of the action, Allied headquarters announced as far north as Munich, destroying

While described only as a "successful local operation," the action was the most aggressive under- vest of Vienna, were attacked for Terryville, Conn., where a few

an 8-mile advance in the central the tracks were obliterated and school in Terryville, and was grad-

Nazis Fire Many Flares

tension on both sides, Germans in and at both all tracks were report recent nights have been firing ed cut. many flares-apparently looking for the start of the action promised by Gen. Mark W. Clark.

Whatever happens in their homeland, it seems obvious that in Italy the Germans plan to stand and

Of the 25 German divisions believed to be in Italy-some at full strength and others far below-a large part probably is being held in reserve behind the Po.

What they will do if the Russians capture Vienna and thus threaten to isolate them is a question which will be answered, as Clark put it, sooner or later.'

Easterner Boosts Total

While United States 15th Air Force heavy bombers were grounded by weather today, fighters and fighter-bombers of the 15th and 12th United States air forces for the four straight day struck at German communications in Austria in support of Russian armies.

Thunderbolts of the Tactical Air Force, which alone flew 1,300 sorties Monday, shot down thirteen German planes near Verona, while over southern Austria Mustangs and Lightnings destroyed four more enemy aircraft in combat.

Major Norman L. McDonald, a Mustang pilot from Framingham Center, Mass., boosted his score to 101/2 by downing two ME109's. Lieuts. Samuel Lyons, Woodland, Cal., and George Amedro, Chicago, were credited with one each.

Nazi Communications In Austria Scrambled

Nazis' Intention To Stand States 15th Air Force heavy bombers scrambled German communications at four railroad yards in southern Austria yesterday and sealed off two birdges 12 miles south of Graz in the third consecutive day of raids in support of the Russians

> The tactical air force threw 1.300 planes into assaults on the Ger-

> > Oil Cars Destroyed

35 locomotives, 6 oil cars and miscellaneous vehicles.

The St. Polten yards, 35 miles taken on this front since the United the second day by heavy bombers.

States 10th Mountain Division About 540 units of rolling stock on Prospect Street, opposite that were destroyed or immobilized and in which his father Willard

Airmen destroyed about 200 On the 5th Army front, where freight cars at the Krems yards the long stalemate has heightened and another 200 at the Graz yards and at both all tracks were report

Soldier Offers He entered the Army in 1942, they washing-blue eyes set in a tired, men and women died on that ter-\$20,000 for Roatta Capture

Willing to Sell Home, ments or promises.

try conversion - training center, overthrow of Mussolini. doubled the reward posted by the Italian government for the return 3,240 Italian Fascists Seized of the former chief of staff of the Italian Army.

in the Italian campaign."

Mathes said he not only wanted to see Roatta caught and punished, but believed that those who conspired with him must be punished. He said he had received offers from other soldiers to contribute to the fund, one offering a month's pay.

Mathes, drafted three years ago, attended the University of Wisconsin and later taugh economics. He was a volunteer worker in New York for the Co-ordinating Committee for Democratic Action.

He told "Stars and Stripes" he felt Rotta's escape was made possible because "there are too many Italians with Fascist sympathies still at large."

Taught in Waterbury

Sergeant Mathes is a native of

reconnaissance photographs showed in which his father, Willard Mathes, lives. He attended high

consin. Returning to Connecticut, ces in Italy. he taught at a business school in Waterbury and sold insurance.

Friends described him as single and about thirty-three years old. in 1944.

Sergeant Mathes said he was pre- We are glad that you have come to life. pared to offer a \$20,000 reward, he see us. You should see how brave was ready to make good the offer. our women are." He is a sensible sort of man, it was Connecticut Man in Italy said, and not given to rash state-

Wants All in Plot Seized Rome, April 3 (A. P.).—Giu-seppe Saragat, 47-year-old Social-ROME, April 3 (P). Sergeant ist and former exile, has been Stuart W. Mathes, an American named Italian Ambassador to soldier, offered today through the France, it was announced today. told how one girl's truck was Army newspaper "Stars and French acceptance of Saragat, found blocking a long line of ical-Army newspaper "Stars and French acceptance of Saragat, Stripes" to pay 2,000,000 lire (\$20,-Minister without portfolio in the 1000) for the recapture of General first go ament of Premier 1000 for the first had formed rather suddentification in the first had formed rather suddentification in the first had formed rather suddentification in the first go ament of Premier 1000 for the recapture of General first go ament of Premier 1000 for the first go ament of Premier 1000 for the first go ament of Premier 1000 for the first had for the first go ament of Premier 1000 for the first had for the first had for the first go ament of Premier 1000 for the first had for the first had

ROME, April 3 (A).—The purge In a letter to "Stars and of Italian Fascists has resulted to Stripes," Matahes said he would sell his war bonds, his house near Hartford, Conn., and his car to raise the money for the reward tional 1,810 against whom final

warehouse buildings left in ruins. uated from the University of Wis- them are serving in the Polish for-

Gen. Bohusz-Szyzko, Gen. Anders' deputy commander of the Polish army, met us in a small Italian town where the headquarters were. "Bohush" is a big blond man with reported, and taught in Army strong face. He smiled warmly, camps here before going overseas showing several big gold teeth, and said:

The general opinion was that if "We love Americans, we Poles.

232 Girls in Corps

We went to see the Womens' 316th Transportation company in the field. This corps of Polish "Wacs" is made up of 232 Polish girls, who, do all their own maintenance work and drive three-ton trucks, and drive them well.

Their matron, Mme, Gylinska

to a wounded soldier."

Gen. "Bohush" flashed his gay smile. "Polish women are fighters," he

said, "but they are women first and last." I talked to many of these girls

in their barracks. Their basic stories were all much the same. Most of them had been arrested, like al-"in memory of nearly 20.000 Amer- action has not yet been taken, the most all of the soldiers of Gen. Anican soldiers who have been killed Italian government announced ders' forces, by the Reis during the early dos of the war in Soviet-

Red jails and deportation camps and allowed to join the vast army assembled by Anders, himself let out of jail for the purpose.

They then marched through Russia into the Near East. How many

rible march for want of shelter and medical care is a story yet to be written. These gallant girls in uniform have lived a hard and terrible

Their motor transport barracks is in what was once a big fascist jail. They have transformed their "cells" into real rooms. On their little wooden tables are cracked vases and bottles full of blossoms.

But what I shall remember, I think, until I die, were the beds; hard little soldiers' cots, covered with their khaki blankets, and on each bed there was a baby pillow trimmed with torn lace and a doll.

I asked Mme Glyinska: "Why do they each have a doll on the little pillow?"

"Oh," she said, "they must have something to coddle and to pat. They see in it a child of their own. I have two daughters myself in that part of Poland which is now called Russia. I have not heard from them in six years."

She looked away from me and was silent for a time.

It is wrong for any American to suppose that to these gallant wom- the curtain was scheduled to rise en, as to all the soldiers of Anders' army, Yalta has not come as a profound shock. But it would also be wrong to suppose that this shock has diminished their fighting ar-

"I hope that we are not going to let them down."

Are we or aren't we? Have we or haven't we let down our most gallant fighting ally?

General "Bohush" said: "We understand that politics are one thing and friendship another. We have patience. We fight for Poland. We have seen that there are no positions which cannot be militarily taken if one plans well and wisely and is willing to count the cost. We will yet see our land

free." In the rooms of the prison barracks are the dolls and the pillows that can be found in the rooms of hundreds of little girls at boarding schools and homes. But here, there is a difference:

There are guns under the pillows and the faces of the dolls are caked with the salt of their little mothers' tears, and perhaps blood spilled in battle by the wounded. too. Who knows?

Naples Opera Cast on Strike NAPLES, Italy, April 3 (A)-More than 300 musicians, singers and stagehands of the San Carlo Opera House went on strike last night after the theatre's British-supervised management had refused a general pay increase. The walkout came five minutes before for "La Bohème."

Polish 'WACs' Worthy of Admiration, Says Mrs. Luce REICH-SPAIN AIR LINK CUT

By CLARE BOOTHE LUCE Written for the combined American Press ported to Russia. (Distributed by The Associated Press)

WITH THE BRITISH 51H AR- erable time in Soviet jails. MY, March 30-(Delayed) Today I visited the Polish sector of the Gylinska, showing the scarred

The decisions of Yalta were a severe blow to the national aspirations of Gen. Wladyslaw Anders' men. The way they have rallied from that blow to go on fighting.

Hands Grow Calloused "I did not care. I drove avery in the common cause has convinced body mad - I sang all the time, me beyond any argument that can songs of Polish freedom." She said.

It is difficult to describe the ex- there." traordinary exhibaration and inspir- Most of these girls do not know ation of this experience.

tion must be given not to the men ders' army," said one dark-eyed but to the women, the Polish women I saw there. Women, but most
of them are just girls, barely in
their teens. Several thousands of

ripped from their families and de-

Most of them had spent consid-

"I did not care, I drove everythy of the independence for which by my hands stopped bleeding and grew calloused as you can see

But I think our deepest admira- ilies are, "My family is Gen. An-

The British liaison officer to the Polish corps said "I have never seen people in whom the fire of patriotism burned so fierce and so

I found one the real at the headquarters of the Polish corps. He is a big ix-foot-four fellow with a tremendous barrel chest, called Major Balcer, from Michi-

Defeated for Congress

"I ran for congress once myself," he said. "I was beaten by another Polish-American called Lesinski. Give him my regards when you get been rumored for some time and back. Tell him I'll be seeing him. Tell him I have never professed I got licked. Fine as it is to be a member of congress, nothing could compare with the experience I have had working with Gen. Anders and his men and women. I am proud to be an American, but I am proud to he an American of Polish ances-

Madrid Ban Eliminates Last Direct Transportation

MADRID, April 3 (A)—Germany's last authorized transportation link with Spain was severed today, German sources said, reporting that night-flying Lufthansa planes had been forbidden to land in Spain.

Confirmation was not officially obtainable at once, but the ban had was considered likely. It was said here that Spanish authorities had become increasingly nervous lest Adolf Hitler, Heinrich Himmler or some other German leader come here.

The Spanish Ambassador to Washington has suggested that Spain would surrender any war criminal, but Spanish authorities would prefer not to have any to hand over.

Nazi Press Opens **New Hate Drive**

Nazi propagandists are resorting to widespread use of obviously fictitious stories of Allied atrocities. in a last effort to spur military and civilian resistance in the waning hours of the Third Reich.

The readers of German newspapers find this new hate campaign splurged across the front pages. The real war news, now so dismal for the Nazis, has gone to the inside pages except for an occasional guarded army communiqué in the lower left-hand corner of Page 1.

Led By Hitler Paper

Adolf Hitler's own Voelkischer Beobachter keynoted the campaign with headlines such as these: "Brutal hate regiment in Cologne,"
"traitor fallen be de justice. American-purchasia achen burgomeister shot by German fighters
for freedom," "only hate holds them together, inner differences of Allies unsolvable.

A story with a Stuttgart date line declared that Negro soldiers were forcing women in Cologne to clean latrines, asserted that American soldiers beat up a German woman who refused to pose for a picture and left her to die, and recounted that an American soldier cook doled out weak coffee to a German woman who gave him a wrist watch in payment for milk for her baby.

Desperate Effort

Not since the war started has such vindictive material appeared even in the most official Nazi organs. To usually well-informed Allied observers it signalized a desperate effort to keep some outward resistance going until the Nazis can form an underground organization with possibly Berchtesgaden as a headquarters.

The emergence of the "Werewolves" and other guerrilla bands which the Germans say are operat-

lling bennid Ained lines were leen a

The National Zeitung in Basel

Morocco Spy Nest Reported Wiped Out In Nick Of Time

Ceuta, Spanish Morocco, April 3 (A)-A Nazi spy post overlooking the Strait of Gibraltar was wiped out eight hours before President Roosevelt's ship, on which he was returning from the Yalta conference, passed through the strait in mid-February, it is learned on good authority.

The post was said to have been raided by American officials with Spanish assistance, spoiling Nazi plans for tipping off waiting Nazi U-boats.

U-Boats Known To Be In Area

[Previously published accounts of the President's homeward voyage said German submarines were known to be prowling around the Strait of Gibraltar and his con-

voy knifed through at 30 knots.
[In Washington its was confirmed at the State Department that raids of the nature described had been made in co-operation with Spanish authorities, but there was no official confirmation that any such raid was related to the President's trip, and the White House had no comment.]

Details pieced together give this account of the reported raid:

Earlier raids against suspected Nazi espionage posts in Spanish Morocco, opposite Gibraltar, had failed, but as the President's convoy approached the strait American officials in Tangier went to Tetuan, Spanish Morocco.

Found In Private House

There the Spanish officials, while skeptical of the American suspicions, agreed nevertheless to send a Spanish military officer to escort them wherever they wanted to go.

The resulting raid uncovered a secret observation post in a private house in Ceuta, perched on cliffs overlooking the straits. A powerful radio transmitter and German code books were seized.

The post was run by Spanish Falangist agents in the pay of the Germans.

Reds Claim Chief Credit For Nazi Defeat

newspaper Red Star said today that destroyed 92 Japanese aircraft,

The newspaper, in a half-page article by E. Lemen, said "the whole Continent of Europe is obligated first of all" to the Soviet people for the defeat of Germany.

BRITISH MOP UP J. GROVER

CALCUTTA, April 3- (AP) The battle of central Burma was virtually finished today with the Japanese forces dead or fleeing in disorganized bands.

The pear-shaped battle ground formed by the two railway lines branching north from Thazi and enclosed by a bend in the Irrawaddy river now is simply a hunting ground for the British seeking out remnants of the Japanese, estimated a month ago to be 30,000

British tank columns had a field day on the Mandalay plain where they found terrain satted to roving armor for the first time in the Burma campaign. The combined U. S. A.A.F. and British Air force swept the sky clear of the enemy.

Currently the enemy has disconnected forces south and east of Kyaukse and of Kyaukpadaung, south of Meiktila and on both sides of the Irrawaddy north of Chauk, with tenuous supply lines and little intercommunication.

Obviously an extensive regrouping now is under way for the next phase of the Burma battle. Military actions reported in the daily communique were confined largely to air attacks on communications and mopping up operations by ground troops.

STRIKE IN BOMBAY

Bombay, April 3 (A. P.).-A day-long protest strike against the scheduled hanging of seven men stopped the operations of at least forty mills and other routine activities in the Bombay area today. The seven men were involved in the 1045 terrorist as-sassinations at the time Mohanmarkets were idle. Bombay street cars had a token stoppage at 6

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92 Jan Planes Destroyed

Chungking, April 3 (AP)-United Moscow, April 3 (P)-The army States 14th Air Force fighter planes "one of the biggest political results of the war will be the liberation of all Slav copies and the consolidation of Slav friendship and solidate for securing the peace against German militarism."

The newspaper red Star said today that destroyed 92 Japanese aircrait, probably destroyed one other and damaged sixteen the star of t

Landing on Sulu Archipelago Places Yanks 30 Miles from Borneo. MANILA, Weinesday, April 4-

Gen. Jens A. Doe's 41st division invaded Tawitawi at the south end in a 200-mile leap southwestward drome. from captured Zamboanga on Min-dana The Eighth Army Yanks seized

the vast Tawitawi harbor, former Jaapnese naval base, and two small islands at the southwestern end of Tawitawi, Sangasanga and Bongao, along with two airfields within easy striking range of Borneo.

30 Miles from Borneo Gen. Douglas MacArthur, announcing the important strike in a communique today, said "it places." us within 30 miles of Borneo and the great oil and rubber resources of the area."

He said the enemy port and airbase at Jolo, in the middle of the archipelago, is seriously jeopardized by the leapfrog landing.

The Sulu chain stretches between Mindanao, southernmost large island of the Philippines, and oil-rich northern Borneo.

The landing was preceded by a heavy aerial saturation bombing the past two weeks and was made under cover of naval guns and planes.

Guerrilla forces aided in the landing, which was made at a little cost to the Americans.

The islands of Sanga Sanga and

Bongao and the neighboring airfields were seized.

The 41st division, which has tak- Manila, April 3 (P)-Encircledas K. Gandhi was imprisoned. en part in more than a dozen inment of Japanese in southern All commodity and wholesale vasion operations in the Pacific, began its move toward the Sulu

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archipelago when it invaded Palawan Feb. 28. After a quick cleanup on that island, units of the division landed on Mindanao, near Zamboanga, March 10.

Zamboanga was captured two days' later in a quick campaign that caught the enemy completely by surprise.

MacArthur said the invasion of Mindanao gave control of the "entire length of western shores of the Philippine islands x x x a distance of approximately 800 miles."

On March 22, the 41st division completed three years of overseas service. Twenty-two months of this was in actual combat. It had seen more service than any other division in the Pacific theater.

Yanks Take San Pablo

On southeastern Luzon, invaded at the big port of Legaspi Easter morning, one column of the 14th corps drove 22 miles northwest along the Bicol peninsula while other columns moving eastward seized San Pablo city, capital of Laguna province.

MacArthur reported his 40th division troops on Negros island cap-(AP) Veteran infantrymen of Maj. tured Bubug and was approaching the southern edge of Silay airfield. The Americal division on Cebu island destroyed 58 enemy pillboxes of the Sulu archipelago-within 30 and emplacements driving northmiles of oil-rich Borneo-Monday west from captured Lahog air-

All But Tip Of Negros

General MacArthur said the Americans have all Negros except the northwestern tip from Silay to Fabrica, and the town of Damaguete, on the southeast coast; Panay island is now "practically cleared" of Japanese, and Cebu is under Yank control, except for the foothills northwest of Cebu city and the northeast coast.

Heavy and medium bombers switched their pounding of Formosa to the eastern coast, hitting the town of Giran and the Karenko and Kegami airdromes. Fuel dumps were left burning. Fighters hit rail installations, factories and a power plant with good effect.

Search planes operating over the blockaded China Sea lanes destroyed or damaged three small freighters and a river boat.

At Borneo, where two airdromes were bombed, a 7,000-ton freighter was left afire from a strafing attack. Ten coastal ships were wrecked in waters off the Celebes.

Legaspi Coup Rings

Corps and the 158th Regimental Combat Team, running through a moderate but ineffective Nipponese artillery fire, landed at Legaspi harbor on the southeastern "tail" of Luzon, headquarters reported today.

They quickly captured the city of Legaspi and its airfields almost without a struggle. Legaspi has a population of 45 000

Destroyers and smaller units of the United States 7th Fleet dueled with Nipponese artillerymen deep in the half at Brig. Gen. Hanford MacNider Lent has combat force ashore.

Jap Artillery Misses

hit the beach. The enemy artillerymen missed with an estimated 50 rounds, although they twice bracketed the command ship of Mac-Nider and Navy Capt. H. F. Mcgee, of New Orleans.

The landing was only lightly op-Damage to the city, the best port

on Luzon's east coast, was negli-

Meanwhile, other units of Mai. Gen. Oscar W. Griswold's 14th Corps, driving the last of the Japanese in southern Luzon toward Bicol Peninsula, on which Legaspi is located, scored a telling breakthrough at Alaminos, south of Laguna de Bay. They fought their way up Bunsulan and Mapait Hills. where the enemy desperately was trying to preserve some semblance of organization.

Advancing Fast '

So fast was the advance of 1st Cavalry troops that surrender leaflets for the Japanese fell from a plane among Americans who had reached the target area ahead of the aircraft.

Troops of the 32d Division in northern Luzon beat off two largescale banzai attacks Sunday around

Balete Pass.

Americal Division troops on Cebu suffered a number of casualties March 30 when retreating Japanese blew up Gochan Hill north of Lahog airfield as the doughboys were climbing it to get a Nipponese on the crest. The Japanese employed such a ruse once before in the Philippines near Zamboanga.

Nevertheless, the troops contin-

Blows At Jap Shipping

In the air, fighters from the 5th Air Force sank several Japanese barges near Infanta, on Luzon's east coast, while bombers pounded several Formosa targets, damaging one large 12,000-ton freighter in

cually was completed Sun-Kiirun harbor and destroying ten when troops of the 14th Army small vessels. Other 5th Air Force bombers sank or damaged four small freighters and six coastal vessels off Wenchow, China.

Seventh Fleet search Liberators went into the Yangtze estuary to smash river craft. Accompanying fighters shot down four Japanese planes off the French-Indo-China

The 13th Air Force heavily pounded Edlin airdrome, Borneo, and wrecked eleven small freighters and coastal vessels in the Makassar area.

4 Yank Flyers Saved Behind Japanese Lines Manila, April 3 (P) A 5th Air

Force Liberator crashed in the Cara-Between navy guns and 5th Air ballo mountains of northern Luforce bombs, Japanese guns were zon, miles behind Japanese lines, ilenced by the time doughboys but four surviving crewmen, three of them injured, were rescued.

> The big bomber, operating in support of the 32d Infantry Division, smashed into a cloud-obscured peak. Lieuts Raymond Wahl, of Dallas, Texas, and Bernard J. Little, of Greenfield, lass., located the wreckage from the air.

A crash patrol was directed to the scene by radio. They found the wreckage with six dead crewmen and the four survivors. Aided by natives the Yanks inched the men down the mountain, through rocky chasms, up cliffs, along ledges and over one 50-foot gorge via a vine suspension bridge.

Major William Shomo Wins Medal Of Honor

U.S. Air Force Base, Philippines, April 3 (AP)—Major William A. Shomo, of Jeannette, Pa., who shot down seven Japanese planes in one engagement, was presented the Congressional Medal of Honor, the nation's highest award, today by Maj. Gen Ann's C. Whitehead, commander of the 5th Air Force.

Shomo's wingman, Lieut. Paul Lipscomb, of Fort Worth, Texas. was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for downing three enemy planes in the same engagement, January 13, over Luzon.

Shomo is the third ace to receive the Medal of Honor in the Southwest Pacific. The others were Col. Neel E. Kearby, of San Antonio, Texas, missing in action, and Major Richard Bong, of Poplar, Wis., who was assigned to duty in the United ued the battle and secured the States after shooting down 40 Japanese planes.

Marine Forces Reach East Coast of Okinawa

Fleet Anchorage against porting the Okinawa invasion: Light Resistance.

GUAM, Wednesday, April 4-000 to 6,000 yards, reached the east coast of knawa vesterday while 7th division infantrymen who bisected the vital island on Monday moved southward along the shores stroyed and another heavily damannounced today.

This was the first mention of Maj. Gen. Archibald V. Arnold's. Seventh infantry division in action on Okinawa, the strategic Ryukyu island only 325 miles southwest of the Japanese mainland.

Jap Opposition Light

Fleet Adm. Chester W. Nimitz' communique reported rapid gains on all Okinawa fronts against still negligible resistance.

Maj. Gen. Roy S. Geiger's Marines at the north end of the line reached the east coast and cut off the Katchin peninsula.

Maj. Gen. John R. Hodge's 24th corps Doughboys, who hit the east coast the day before drove eight miles southward along the shores of Katsuren bay, a small inlet within Nakagusuku harbor, onetime anchorage for the Japanese

These infantrymen reached Kuoa town, on the western shore of Nakagusuku.

"Resistance throughout the day was negligible," Admiral Nimitz reported.

General Hodge earlier said the invasion was "going far better than our wildest dreams," declaring the Japanese had made the Yanks a present of south-central Okinawa and "we are pleased to have it."

Naval guns and carrier planes gave close support to the ground operations. Supplies flowed onto the beaches in an uninterrupted stream.

Planes Hit Sakishima Group

Meanwhile, Vice Adm. Marc A. Mitscher's carrier planes attacked targets in the Sakishima group of the southern Ryukyus yesterday. This area had been pounded only a few days previously by guns and planes of the British Pacific fleet. now operating as a self-contained the town of Awashi, on the east unit in cooperating with the U. S.

Admiral Nimitz reported this

damage inflicted on the Japanese Infantrymen Smash Toward by American carrier planes sup-

Aircraft-17 shot out of the air; five destroyed on the ground; 19 damaged in the air and on the ground.

Shipping-Sunk: three motor tor-(AP) Marines of the Third Am- pedo boats; two small cargo ships; phibious corps, scoring gains of 4,- nine small craft; probably sunk:

Installations-Six submarine of huge Nakagusuku bay, the Navy aged; mills, barracks, bridges, a radio station, pillboxes, buildings, docks, gun positions and covered revetments destroyed or damaged on Okinawa. Other installations on Tokuno Anami, Kikai and Minami Daito islands heavily hit.

This damage was inflicted March 30 and 31, in the pre-invasion softening of the Ryukyus.

Okinawa Drive 10 Days Ahead

days ahead of schedule, 24th Corps infantrymen were on the eastern shore of Okinawa just above Nakagusuku Bay today. They cut across the strategic island in a swift twoday dash against slight resistance.

Observation planes, meanwhile, operated from two captured air-fields, Kate a nd Yontan. This in-dicated that before long land-based combat planes will join the mighty supporting the invasion of the principal Ryukyu Island, only 325 miles south of Japan itself.

Maj. Gen. John R. Hodge's 24th Corps drove across the thin waist The Japanese were believed holed of south-central Okinawa by reach- up in caves in rugged terrain there. ing the east coast village of Tobara On the north end of the beachin a 21/2-mile drive yesterday, the second day of the campaign.

Awashi Captured

The Americans also captured

coast southeast of Tobara, Grant Vice Admiral Marc A. Mitscher's MacDonald, Associated Press cor-respondent, reported from the aircraft at his command—gave

The Japanese put up practically tions. rough terrain.

The Yanks were on the shores of Katsuren Bay, immediately north off Okinawa was attacked by Japaof the extensive anchorage at Naka- nese planes invasion night and five gusuku Bay-once a favorite ma- were shot down. No indication was neuvering ground of the Japanese given of fleet damage, if any.

"Easiest Invasion"

So far this has been the easiest invasion of the entire Pacific war. The Americans apparently have seen more civilians than Japanese soldiers charged with defending the security of the homeland.

Not a single Japanese prisoner of war has been taken.

Strong Garrison Force

city of Naha and its large airfield from a long list of assorted landing from the many harbors and mili-vessels. tary installations in the north of the 65-mile-long island. But whether the enemy garrison was cut in wo or had earlier withdrawn in one main force to the south or north Marines of the 3d Amphibious remains to be seen in the fighting that must come before Okinawa is foot Mount Yontanzan, commandfully occupied.

The Japanese garrison has been 60,000 troops — a sizable fighting force. Approximately 100,000 Americans are involved in the operation by Lieut, Gen. Simon Bolivar Buckner, Jr.'s newly activated 10th Army, which includes army and

southern end after the Kerama ing officers was withheld. Islands, offshore, were taken a few defenses there.

"Whatever the reason," he wrote. it appears that General Buckner's 10th Army achieved one of the greatest coups of the war against Japan.

Little Resistance

There was no sign of strong or organized opposition as the entire 10th Army line advanced several armada of carrier aircraft closely thousand yards yesterday. Many units merely walked ahead.

> Only in the center did the Yanks encounter enemy activity worth mentioning in Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz's communiqué today.

head, which now measures 11 miles, Maj. Gen. Roy S. Geiger's 3d Ma-

north and east. Naval guns, field artillery an close support to the ground opera-

no resistance to the 24th Army Unloading of supplies onto the Corps troops who entered Awashi beaches was proceeding so fast after pushing across 8 miles of that troops inland complained the material was piling up on them.

Jap Air Attack The 1,400-ship American armada

Japan's Domei news agency claimed, meanwhile, that 146 United States ships had been sunk or damaged by air and surface units "so far" in the Okinawa campaign.

The broadcast, totally without confirmation, claimed these included five battleships, seven aircraft carriers, ten warships of unspecified category, twelve battle-ships or cruisers, eighteen cruisers Severing of Okinawa cut off the and twenty-seven destroyers, aside

Marines Move Un Mountain
MARINE DIVISION COMMAND
POST, Okinawa, April 3 (AP).— Corps moved up the slopes of 700ing American-held Yontan Airfield. Officers said seizure of the estimated in strength at more than mountain would definitely secure the field.

The Japanese were using cave and ravine defense positions, employing chiefly machine-gun and small-arms fire instead of the mor-Marine units.

Associated Press Correspondent
Vern Haughland said officers on
Okinawa expressed the belief the

tars and artillery, which formed the basis of their resistance on other Part it is not the marines suffered light casualties. Identity Japanese expected landings on the of the units and their command-

The terrain is such that the days before, and concentrated their leathernecks have been forced to build roads as they go or they neutralizing attacks on bypassed would have been farther ahead, the general commanding the marines said.

Yontan Airfield's 3,000-foot runway was used for the first time today by a large American plane. Returning from combat air patrol, Ensign W. O. Marble of Jeffersonville, Ind., developed an engine oil leak and made a suc-

had previously been used by tiny where "plenty of tough fighting" is lot who didn't expect kind treatobservation planes.

[A marine general told a United reduced, he predicted. Press correspondent that in two days his division had counted only lifteen Japanese dead. All but three were civilizers who had been defended. three were civilians who had been killed in the pre-invasion bom-Zampa Cape, which juts into the bardment. The division's casual- In the push across the island, limestone burial vaults which fre-East China Sea, as they moved ties had been astonishingly light, he said, a number of good artillery quently provide better housing for Another marine division had killed about 130 Japanese with slight

7th Division On Okinawa

Guam, Wednes april 4 (AP) Gen. Archibald Arnold's Maj. crack 7th Infantry Division is fighting on Okinawa with its battle companion of the Leyte campaign the 77th Division under Maj. Gen. Andrew D. Bruce-the Navy announced today.

The 7th trained at Fort Ord, Cal. and saw its first action at Attu in the Aleutians. It landed at Kwajalein in the Marshalls, in January, 1944, under its former commander, Maj. Gen. Charles H. Corlett, belast October.

Both In Ormoc Corridor

The 7th and 77th battled the seeps to refugee camps. (well and lie was divided a would make him use his own water apanese in the Ormoc corridor of On a country road, teeming with Japanese in the Ormoc corridor of tle in the Philippines.

Both divisions are in Maj. Gen. John R. Hodge's 24th Corps, part army elements.

Connecticut born Ceneral Arnold, who lives in Carmel, Cal., is an artillery specialist. He planned the artillery barrages which preceded the Attu and Kwajalein landings. He became a major general in June, 1944.

Bombers Range Pacific

While carrier planes of the Pacific Fleet pound Okinawa, landbased bombers of the United States Strategic Air Force have been busy in other sectors, Admiral Chester W. Nimitz's communiqué disclosed today

Army Liberators hit Marcus Island installations far to the east of Iwo Jima on Monday while Maine pilots struck far to the south at Japanese buildings, vehicles and cigar." barges in and around enemy-held Babelthuap, Palau.

At the same time navy search planes carried out a number of nese-Americans said: enemy bases in the Marshalls.

Force Big Enough To Stick enough invasion force has been put ashore on Okinawa that the Japanese have no chance of pushing it off again, a naval spokesman said today. It is believed a large number of

defending troops has fallen back cessful forced landing. The field to the southern tip of the island.

Artillery Posts Abandoned

positions doned.

case of heavier craft a great dis-tance offshore. Under the latter Two incidents noted on Okin-

Came Out of Their Caves

OKINAWA, April 3 (AP).-Two fore moving into the Philippines days ago, most of Okinawa's civilian population huddled fearfully in caves. Today they are riding in

western Leyte a fight which went military traffic, a gum-chewing far toward deciding the tide of bat- G. I. tooled his jeep along, while behind him sat three Okinawansthe marines call them "Okies." ON OKINAWA, April 3 (AP).-Invaof Lieut, Gen. Simon Bolivar Buck. One was a wizened old man who sion of this island 325 miles from ner's newly activated 10th Army, stared ahead impassively. Next to the Japanese homeland so far "is which includes Marine as well as him was an old woman, dressed going far better than our wildest n black, apparently the popular dreams," Major General John R. bolor of the island. And beside Hodge, corps commander, said tonight. Objectives had been who watched American troops roll reached on the third day of the thead.

Four soldiers walked along the to require five days, he said. oad trailed by a frail Okinawan hey had found numb with fear ashore and across the island with

Corporal Alfred Chadburn of San the center of the island," Hodge Francisco. He offered the man a said. gar which was politely declined.

Corporal Michael Sterategos of in high ground in the middle of Chicago. He grinned. "Say, we're this area they could have given supposed to be enemies of these us plenty of trouble. I do not people and here you offer him a know why they made us such a

Among interpreters helping with the civilians were two Army privates from Hawaii. These Japa-

"They are co-operating very well. This morning we had quite a time inducing a crowd to come Washington, April 3 (P)-A big out of a cave. They said they had been told they would be tortured with needles. Now they seem to be happy to be safe-from the way they are chipping in to clean up rubbish, wash clothes and make things livable.

"They are very low grade peasants for the most part-a pitiful

Dead Housed Better

Staff Sergeant Alford Lee, of Glenn, Tex., and Sergeant J. J. Snyder, of 23 Beech Street, Rutherford, N. J., visited the great

were discovered aban-the dead than is provided for the In explanation, he said navy in living. In these vaults the remains vasion craft firing rockets were of the family dead repose for three able to maintain a covering bar- years. Then they are removed, rage longer than is possible in the the bones washed in alcohol, and

circumstances, the enemy is able awa: A group of women hesitantly to retire temporarily and come approached a pile of clothing back when the barrage is lifted placed to provide them suitable to prevent hitting invasion troops. raiment. Instantly their hesitancy was gone and they jabbered among themselves just like bargain day.

Tugging at an M. P.'s sleeve was a scrawny old man. There were six dead Japanese soldiers in his well and he was afraid some one

WITH THE ATH APMY CORPS invasion that had been expected

"The fact that we have gone practically no casualties means "Do you think he's sick?" asked they have made us a present of

"We are ashore now and we are "Think he's sick!" exclaimed set. If they had elected to hold present but we are pleased to have

> The high ground referred to is honeycombed with caves. Artillery emplacements had been abandoned and the guns removed before the American came ashore.

No official casualty figure has been given for the sporadic resistance so far encountered, but it is known losses have been extremely light by any battle standards and negligible as compared with anticipations for an operation of this magnitude and importance.

Okinawans Parade To Marine Lines

Okinawa, April 1 [Deldyed] The first Okinawa civilians to give themselves up came through Marine lines in a fantastic procession that called to mind an old Oriental print. A fifteen paces

ahead of them was a withered old priest, hatless but wraring a gray robe and broad black sash. His flock followed docilely and showed only faint curiosity as guards took them to the rear.

Squat On Ground

As Marine Captain L. T. Burcham. San Diego, Cal., assigned an interpreter to question them, the priest gave an almost imperceptible order with his head and the whole group squatted on the ground.

The old man eagerly accepted a eigarette and smoked it as his followers smiled at one another. squatted in a semi-circle were young and old. Several of the women wore flowered kimonos. One toothless grandfather sported a dirty felt hat.

Wounds Treated

The natives looked on with great interest as navy corpsmen applied dressings and bandages to open cuts on some of their number. They nodded happily as the bandaging was completed.

In a tableau of pantomime, the old priest turned to officers and bowed in thanks. Then he bowed To each of the corpsmen in turn,

TOKYO CALLS RYUKYUS LURE

Broadcast Claims Allies Wil Lose 500,000 Men

San Francisco, April 3 (A)-Domei, the Japanese news agency aired a tattered propaganda line today in a broadcast promise that in the Okinawa invasion the Americans and British are "completely playing" into the hands of the Japanese high command.

The Japanese high command has "successfully lured" the Allies into an area where Nipponese forces "have the best chances of wiping out the enemy." said the Singapore-

dated dispatch released in a broadcast heard by the Federal Communication Commission.

Like Early Luzon Claim

This boast was identical to Tokyo radio utterances when the Americans invaded Lazon in the Philippin and to Jima, 750 miles south of Japan's capital.

Domei said the Americans who landed in the Ryukyus - on the Kerama Islands, March 26, and Okinawa, last Sunday-are receiving a "hotter reception" than at

The Keramas, 25 miles west of Okinawa, fell into American hands with ease, and American communiqués report that the Yanks have cut a corridor across Okinawa in an ahead-of-schedule thrust, with remarkably small casualties.

Domei said the "Americans and British must be prepared to lose at least 500,000 men on Okinawa Island.

No Report Of British Landing

There has been no official report of British landings on Okinawa, the invasion there being conducted by the United States 10th Army, composed of army and Marine divisions, while a British naval task force has been active in the Sakishima group, at the southern end of the Ryukyus.

The Japanese-controlled Singapore radio in a broadcast to Australia said the "remnants of this once-proud American fleet" was tied to the Okinawa operation and cannot withdraw its support to the landing forces.

The "remnants" of the American fleet at Okinawa consist of more than 1,400 ships, the biggest armada in world history, and include Admiral R. A. Spruance's 5th Fleet and Vice Admiral Marc A. Mitscher's Aircraft Task Force 58.

A Tokyo commentator for Domei in another broadcast said the Okinawa invasion "is an offensive of the Anglo-Americans staking their fortune, and is also for Japan a battle for annihilation of the enemy by staking her everything.

"This will be the crossroads in the destiny of Japan, America and

First3-PlyRaid By B-29s Rocks 3 Honshu Cities

300 Superfortresses Strike 1938, following his divorce from in Sector Near Tokyo in Low-Altitude Bombings

GUAM, April 4 (Wednesday) (P). Three hundred or more Superfortresses today roared through thick clouds over Japan's home island of Honshu in a low-level, three-way demolition raid.

It was the first time three separate targets were lashed on the same large-scale raid. They were Shizuoka, eighty-five miles south of Tokyo; Tachikawa, twenty miles west, and Kiozumi, twenty miles north.

Because of bad weather, bomb-ing was done almost entirely by instrument. Objectives were obscured by heavy undercast. Exact targets were not specified.

Three hundred Superfortresses are capable of carrying to Japan the same bomb load 900 Flying Fortresses carry to Germany from England.

The Tokyo radio said fires were set in the Tokyo-Yokohama area and in sections north of Tokyo by the B-29s, which, Tokyo said. raided the area between 1 a. m. and 4 a. m. Wednesday, Japanese

The broadcast claimed that "because of the intensive activities of the military, the government and the people, the fires were extinguished immediately."

"Our air forces intercepted the enemy planes and quickly shot three of them down over the Tokyo Bay area," the Japanese broadcast asserted without confirmation.

Argentina Will Seize Fritz Mand's Properties

Buenos Aires, April 3 (AP)-Fritz Mandl, former Austrian part of his fortune-reputed to arms magnate regarded in some quarters as an "advance man" for the Nazis in Argentina, was held States and Britain. He returned incommunicado today while the to Europe the same year on an Argentine Government prepared to take over his metal and plastics manufacturing company.

Mandl, arrested last night on unspecified charges was black listed several meaths ago by Amer-ican and Brits authorities. He frequent to lared he was estranged from Nazi party officials, but it was suspected that part of the funds he transferred here

Mandl's personal fortune was terprises. estimated to be about \$60,000,000. He invested heavily in a wide variety of Argentine enterprises after he settled here permanently in was regarded as a possible ad-Screen Actress Hedy Lamarr and his second marriage to an Austrian-

resident of Buenos Aires.

Mandl Seized in Argentina

Government Says It Will Take Over His Big Metal and Plastics Company.

Buenos Aires, April 3 (A. P.) .- Fritz Mandl, former Austrian munitions magnate, was held incommunicado today on unannounced charges and the Argentine Government announced it would seize his big metal and plastics manufacturing company, which has been on the Allied blacklist for six months. The arrest was made last night.

Mandl at one time had been the intimate of high Argentine officials both before and after the revolution, and long had been considered suspect by the American and British authorities, who placed him on the blacklist. The decree for nationalization of his factory called attention to recent measures under which the Government was authorized to seize control of any assets belonging to persons whose activities had been deemed a menace to the security of the State or the war

effort of the United Nations.

The official reason given for the seizure of the concern—the Industria Metalurgica y Plastica Argentina, better known as Impa -was that the factory was unable to operate normally under wartime conditions and that its closing would entail serious economic repercussions because of the number of its employees.

Mandl came to Argentina in 1937 after transferring a large be about \$60,000,000—to this country, Uruguay, the United Argentine passport, and took up a post as Paraguayan consur-general at Monaco.

In Argentina Since 1938.

He has been a permanent resident of Argentina since 1938. Since that time he has intrenched himself in the country's economic life, investing heavily in cattle when he came to Argentina in 1937 might rave of the from the Nazis.

To some persons who were apprehensive over German penetration into South America, Mandl vance man for the Nazis.

Mandl was divorced from screen actress Hedy Lamarr in Mexico City in 1938 and subsequently was married to an Austrian resident of Buenos Aires.

Talks To Govern Action On Canada Meat Rations

Ottawa, April 3 (AP)-The outcome of conferences to be held in Washington at which Canada will be represented is expected to gov-ern any action, which may be taken on the resumption of meat rationing in the Dominion, it was understood here tonight.

Canada Plans To Send Carriers Into Pacific

Ottawa, April 3 (A) — Canada plans to send two cruisers, two aircraft carriers and a number of destroyers and frigates into action in the Pacific war as "a good deal more than a token force," Angus MacDonald, Navy Minister, told the House of Commons tonight.

Providing the most definite information to date on Canada's naval role in the war against Japan, Mac-Donald disclosed that the Canadian Navy only puiser the Uganda, already was in the France, and is soon to be joined by Contario, which the planed in commission in a specific property of the plane of the commission in a specific property of the plane of the commission in a specific property of the plane of the commission in a specific property of the plane of the commission in a specific property of the plane of the commission in a specific property of the plane of the is to be placed in commission in a shipping around Sumatra. few weeks.

"With these two cruisers," said MacDonald, "we intend to send into the Pacific two aircraft carriers, if the necessary arrangements for their acquisition can be made. So far as naval personnel are concerned, these carrriers will be manned entirely by Canadians."

PRAVDA COMMENDS SECURITY CONFERENCE

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Moscow radio, quoting from an article in Pravda, official Communist paper, said last night that the San Francisco conference was to be held "at the right time from every possible to and "will ac-complish it

The broadcast, made in the Hungarian language, was recorded by

Quoting from the Pravda article by David Zaslavsky, editorial writer, it said the San Francisco meet-

ing "has nothing in common with the League of Nations" and that its location in the United States was "significant" as "proof of the defeat of United States isolation-

JAP RADIO REPORTS ATTACK ON HONG KONG

SAN FRANCISCO, April 3-(AP) Japan's radio Hong Kong reported a 50 minute raid on Hong Kong today by 49 American planes with "B-24's as the main body of the formation."

It was the second raid in as many days, the broadcast said, and claimed three planes were brought down by air defense halls Yeslerday the radio station reported a 50 plane raid and claimed one bomber downed, another damaged.

"Japanese loss is slight," the enemy insisted.

The broadcast, beamed in Cantonese to free China, was reported by the Federal Communications commission.

British Fleets Shell Sumatra

SAN FRANCISCO, April 3 (P).— Chungking radio reports recorded by the Blue Network today asserted "formidable fleets" of British

destroyers were attacking coastal

London, April 3 (AP)-A British Foreign office spokesman said tonight that the United States, in deciding not to request three votes in the world securify council to be set up at San Francisco, acted unilaterally and that the decision was not due to any withdrawal of British support.

Reversal in Stand Seen as Bid for Unity at Security Conference.

WASHINGTON, April 3--(AP) President Roosevelt in a surprise turnabout, has decided not to ask for three votes for the United States in the world assembly to be set up at San Francisco.

This reversal of the line which the President agreed upon with Premier Stalin and Prime Minister Churchill at Yalta was announced today by the State department.

No Explanation Made

No official explanation was forthcoming, but the development strongly indicated a hope on the President's part that Stalin likewise would be content with one vote.

The Russian leader has demanded separate votes for the Ukrainian Soviet and the White Russian Soviet in addition to ore for the rest of Russia.

The assembly in which these votes would be cast would be one part of a world organization to be proposed at San Francisco.

Secretary of State Stettinius, announcing Mr. Roosevelt's decision at a news conference crowded by 100 reporters, said that it did not alter the President's promice of support for Stalin's claim for three seats if the claim actually is made to the San Francisco meeting.

There was no doubt, however, that the whole idea of multiple voting, which has been involved in terrific controversy since the Roosevelt-Stalin deal was announced last week, had been dealt a heavy blow by the announcement.

Moreover, there was still an open question whether the American de-

legation, of which Senator Vandenberg (R-Mich.) is a member, would agree to support Mr. Roosevelt's promise to Stelin. Stettinius declined to discuss the delegation's attitude but Vandenberg has made known his opposition to multiple voting on the ground that it would impair the "sovereign equality of nations."

Stettinius knocked down ideas that the San Francisco conference, opening April 25, might be postponed. He said the speed of the war makes it "increasingly necessary" that the plans for creating a world organization "be carried on, promptly." He added that the United States had not received any indication "that any government believes that the conference should be

No Preliminary Conference

He also ruled out talk of a possible Big Five conference preliminary to the April 25 meeting for an effort to reconcile the differences which have grown up among the Allied powers since Yalta. He said there had been no talk of such a meeting on the part of any of the governments.

The most direct effort to resolve some of the differences is already being made by Roosevelt, Churchill and Stalin in personal communications among themselves. Questioned on this point, Stettinius said that the President is in very close touch with the other two leaders all the time.

Stettinius did not rule out the possibility of a meeting with representatives of the Big Five here on creation of a system of trusteeships which would be submitted to the San Francisco conference. Stettinius said the only objective of this preliminary gathering would be the machinery to control World War I mandates, enemy territory seized in this war and any other territories voluntarily put under trusteeship.

He eliminated the probability of a San Francisco row over colonial possessions by saying that specific territories will not be discussed

Late this afternoon Stettinius conferred with Russian Ambassador Gromyko, British Ambassador Halifax and Chinese Ambassador Wei on what they all called organizational and procedural matters for the San Francisco conference.

'BIG 5' WILL MEE

WASHINGTON, April 3 - (AP) Secretary Stettinius announced to-day that the Big Three agreed at Yalta to work out with France and China a plan on international trusteeships of certain territories, including lands wrested from the ene-

Unofficial word is that representatives of the Big Five will meet in Washington before the San Francisco conference to figure out how to transfer old League of Nations mandates to the proposed new. world organization and plan a new counterpart of the mandates com-

Britain Opposes U. S. VIEW

missions to report on territories cisco Security Conference today held internationally, with increased and arranged an afternoon session with representatives of the other powers for the trustee nations, with representatives of the while the United States is anxious to augment international responsi- the State Department, Presidential

arise is the use of military bases the street that he had no reason to

portance, subject to the same ar- Russian demands for additional rangements as purely national bases, such as Hawaii and Singapore.

Britain may come up with a plan for a string of internationally administered bases under the world council. Some British quarters feel this might be a solution for the touchy problem of Hong Kong-British owned but desired by China.

Stettinius declared flatly that specific territories were not discussed at Yalta and there is no intention to take up definite cases before or at San Francisco. This rules out a squabble now over disposition of former Italian colonies. Japanese islands and other areas which may be disputed.

To Cover Mandates

The Secretary of State specified that the "trusteeship structure" to be set up now should cover "territories mandated after the last war, such territories taken from the enemy in this war as might be agreed upon at a later date, and also such other territories as might voluntarily be placed under trusteeships."

Diplomats considered the "voluntary" clause as a come-on, which would eventually enable the world organization to take over present A. Gromyko and Chinese Ambassa-Allied or neutral colonies if the mo- dor Wei Tao-ming. This conference nations expressed in the Dumbarther nations permitted. No flood of also concern arrangements for the offers is expected in the near fu- world conference which China,

The old league commission prohibited fortification of mandated areas and there appear to be opposing British and American views on how that should be changed.

The U. S. is expected to advocate representation. wiping out that clause completely and leaving it up to the mandatory powers, whereas Britain might propose designating certain strategic spots as international bases and bar military installations on all other mandates.

Stettinius Planning Frisco Parley

Britain and the United States are expected to bring opposing views. Britain emphasizes regional com-

Secretary Jonathan Daniels told re One important point which may porters in the White House across this will be accomplished.

seat at the parley and the Polish els was asked if the April 25 date the San Francisco Conference:

"So I understand," he replied. "I have no reason to revise that."

Daniels referred to the State Department a question whether Presi- of questions relating to represendent Roosevelt is in communication with Premier Stalin and Prime of the proposed United Nations Minister Churchill regarding the question of representation in the discussed at the Crimea Conferproposed world assembly.

Russian Yalta Requests

At Yalta, Russia asked an additional vote each for the Ukrainian and White Russian Soviets for a total of three and the United States countered by suggesting an additional two votes for itself

The Yalta agreement to put the proposition before the United Na tions conference failed to specify on what basis the American votes would be asked. Experts here have thus far been unable to figure out any means of making the request formally.

Stettinius scheduled for the afternoon a meeting with the British Ambassador, the Earl of Halifax: Russian Ambassador Andrei Britain and Russia are co-sponsoring with the United States.

May Rest On Conference

San Francisco meeting itself may have to decide the issue of Polish

Such a development would present to the parley two touchy is carried out. sues raised by Moscow. The question of additional Russian seats in the assembly of a proposed peace keeping organization already is docketed for decision at San Fran

Warsaw Denied Invitation

In the case of Poland, Russia asked Washington and London to approve an invitation to the present Warsaw Government in event th Yalta agreement to set up a na-

i tionai unity regime there could not be fulfilled in time. London and Washington rejected this request.

The two Western powers took the line that the creation of the National Unity Government should be rushed to conclusion so it could serve as the fully recognized leader of the Polish people. Because of the short time remaining, however. there is little real optimism that ship in the international organization; and the possible addition to the Dumbarton Oaks proposals of provisions relating to territorial trusteeship.

The decisions taken at Yalta with reference to the time and place of the United Nations Conference were made public in thecommuniqué issued at the close o' the Crimea Conference. The yoting procedure in the Security three votes in the assembly to the United States.

Decision of the President

The President has decided that at the San Francisco Conference the United States will not request additional votes for the Government of the United States in the

General Assembly.

Announcement of these proposals was made first to the United States delegation to the San

with their customary procedures. and it is hoped and believed that the result will be so clear that this great effort to eliminate future wars will receive practically unanimous approval.

This Government believes that the rapid tempo of military and political developments, far from requiring postponement of the San Francisco Conference on International Organization, makes it increasingly necessary that the

on mandated territories in an international peace-enforcing system. United States would make such Date Still Stands Text of Stettinius' Statement on Conference

WASHINGTON, April 3 (A)-Government situation might snarl Following is the statement issued preconference arrangements. Dan- today by Secretary Stettinius on

> At a press conference on Friday, March 30, correspondents submitted to the Department of State for consideration a number tation in the General Assembly organization, a matter that was

> The inquiries submitted related to various aspects of several principal questions: whether unpublished agreements had been made at Yalta; why the American representatievs at Yalta agreed to support the Soviet proposals for initial membership of two Soviet Republics in the proposed international organization; whether it was agreed that the two Soviet republics would have separate representatives at the San Francisco Conference; why the agreements with reference to the proposal for initial membership of two Soviet Republics had not been announced; and whether the agreements on the subject of representation in the General Assembly affected the principle of sovereign equality of peace-loving ton Oaks proposals.

> I wish to make the following statement in response to these questions:

Both military and political Diplomats, speculated that the questions were covered at the Crimea Conference. The military plans agreed to at Yalta and related matters connected with the defeat of the common enemy can he made known only as they are

Other Matters Dealt With

Among the other matters dealt with at the Crimea Conference were several open questions left over from the Dumbarton Oaks conversations: the voting procedure in the Security Council; invitations to the United Nations Conference on International Organization; the time and place of the conference; initial memberafter consultations on this subject with the Government of the Republic of China and the Provisional Government of the French Republic.

Following these consultations, the voting procedure together with the text of the invitation and the list of nations to be invited to the San Francisco Conference were made public on March 5, approximately a month after the close of the Crimea Conference.

The only other decisions reached at Yalta and not made public in the Crimea Conference communiqué related to initial membership in the international organization when it meets, and to territorial trusteeship.

The Soviet representatives at Yalta proposed that the White Russian and the Ukrainian Republics be initial members of the proposed international organization. This was a question for the United Nations assembled at San Francisco to consider and decide: In view of the importance which the Soviet Government attached to this proposal, the

American representatives at

Yalta, having the utmost respect for the heroic part played by the people of these republics in their unyielding resistance to the common enemy and the fortitude with which they have borne great suffering in the prosecution of the war, agreed that the Government of the United States would support such a Soviet proposal at San Francisco if made. No agreement was, however, made at Yalta on the question of the participation of these republics in the San Francisco Conference.

In the circumstances, the American representatives at Yalta believed that it was their duty to reserve the possibility of the United States having three votes in the General Assembly. The Soviet and British representatives stated their willingness to support a proposal, if the United States should make it, to accord

Francisco Conference. In order to correct the impression conveyed by partial publication of the facts, public announcement was made prior to a final determination of the course to be followed by the delegation with regard to possible additional representation for the United States.

As to territorial trusteeship, it appeared desirable that the Governments represented at Yalta, in consultation with the Chinese Government and the French Provisional Government, should endeavor to formulate proposals for submission to the San Francisco Conference for a trusteeship structure as a part of the general organization.

This trusteeship structure, it was felt, should be designed to permit the placing under it of the territories mandated after the last war, and such territories taken from the enemy in this war, as might be agreed upon at a later date, and also such other territories as might voluntarily be placed under trusteeship. No discussion was had at Yalta or is contemplated prior to, or at, San Francisco regarding specific ter-

The basis of the San Francisco Conference remains the Dumbarton Oaks proposals. It is for the conference to decide whether

any proposal affecting voting in the General Assembly of the proposed United Nations organization impairs the principle of sovereign equality, just as the conference itself must determine the application and interpretation of any general principles enunciated in the Dumbarton Oaks proposals.

In other words, the San Francisco Conference will doubtless vote on many proposals for the detailed setting up of the United Nations organization, and there is no way of knowing what the proposals will be. The final organization will be passed on by. the United Nations in accordance

this organization worked out at Dumbarton Oaks will be carried on promptly.

ve moreover, received no have horeover, sovernment that any Government believes that the conference should be postponed.

Senators Favor Decision To Seek Only One Vote

Taft Protests That Russia Should Also Fall in Line

WASHINGTON, April 3 (AP) .-With few exceptions, Senators applauded the Roosevelt administration's decision today to seek only one vote on the proposed United Nations peace assembly. Most who commented said Russia should be satisfied with similar representation.

Senator Claude Pepper, Democrat, of Florida, said he thought the voting question had been magnified in importance. "The question of influence in the assembly is much bigger than the question of the number of votes any one country will have," the Florida Senator declared. "I dare say that American influence among other nations will be greater than any other country's and whether we have one vote or three is immaterial."

Senator Robert A. Taft, Republican, of Ohio, said he thought the United States should insist that the Russians be given only one vote. "Three votes for them is absolutely in violation of the Dumbarton Oaks agreement," he declared.

Senator E. H. Moore, Republican, of Oklahoma, remarked that he thought the decision "is consistent with the Administration policies of giving everything away that they can."

Senator Brien McMahon, Demo-

Depends On War Shift

sembly," he declared.

KRUG OUTLINES

POSTWAR PLAN

Civilian Output Seen At 1939

Level Year After Nazi Defeat

Chairman J. A. Krug predicted to-

day that within one year after

plants will be producing a substan-

tial amount of all the things civil-

ian desires will be met in those

twelve months, he told a news con-

ference, but it does mean that they

can be satisfied to a considerable

Krug said that despite a slower

start toward reconversion than was

output will be cut about 35 per cent

in the year following VE-day. This,

he said, would permit by the end of

that year a rate of civilian goods

Outlines 12-Point Program

shape the country's post-war busi-

chines and radios-should be reach-

This would be true, he stated

mobiles" which use fabrics.

Prior to his news conference.

This does not mean that all civil-

ians have been missing.

extent in all fields

that of 1939.

ness structure.

ing the market.

Washington, April 3 (AP)-WPB

The speed with which reduced arms production can be translated into increased civilian output will depend on the rapidity with which the Army and Navy can transfer the brunt of attack from the European to the Pacific theater, Krug

"However, the plan that we have developed is adjusted for use whenever VE-day arrives, he added. "If lessly as the margin rolled up it came tomorrow, the figures I have given would be applicable."

Krug revealed that reconversion problems of the automobile indus-

Germany's collapse, United States try would be among the topics to be discussed by him and other WPB officials on a visit to Detroit next week.

> "WPB's reconversion plans do not contemplate any long-range programing of this country's industrial structure," Krug continued.

"The wartime controls were developed with the advice and counsel of management and labor in the various industries affected, and this same advice and counsel is being hoped for last fall, total munitions sought in considering the timing of their relaxation and withdrawal.

WPB's program is flexible and must remain tentative, he said, unmanufactured roughly equal to til the speed and size of armament curtailments are finally known. But even with the smallest munitions cuts now foreseen, he added. "there should be sufficient material Krug outlined in statement form and resources to prepare many a twelve-point reconversion pro- (plant) facilities for rapid recongram which promised that the Gov- version.

Plea for Support of FDR, Military Authorities Fails to Save Bill.

WASHINGTON, April 3-(AP) Roosevelt today with a crushing 46 workers to wat jobs and apply of power it would put in one man." other sweeping manpower controls.

Convinced that further efforts to win votes for the measure were joint committee, would have placed futile, Majority Leader Barkley the power to enforce ceilings on (Ky.) called for a vote unexpected- the number of workers any plant ly this afternoon and sat by help- could employ and compel workers

the showdown would be delayed until tomorrow.

To Hold Further Hearings

While, at the suggestion of Sen- ed. ator O'Mahoney (D-Wyo.), the Senate approved a motion to seek a further conference with the House Senate voluntary measure aimed in an effort at a new compromise, primarily at establishing ceilings the feeling prevailed that there was and preventing "hoarding" of lano prospect of any manpower le- bor, the measure was called by gislation at all.

The last hope of passage of the two views. pending bill faded yesterday when Senator Johnson (D-Colo.), one of its original sponsors, joined the lineup against it after James F. Byrnes, just before quitting as War Mobilization director, called for its

Johnson said that with Byrnes retiring to civil life "it is a poor time to freeze other people to their

Senator Hatch (D-N.M.) sought to save the measure today with a plea for support of the President

OVERRIDE PRESIDENT gument were "virtually inviting people to quit" when Germany is defeated.

However, the majority seemed to share the view of Senator Donnell (R-Mo), who, making his first major speech to the Senate declared:

"On the face of the record of war production and the fact of The Senate overrode President testimony by both management and labor that voluntary methods will produce more war weapons, I to 29 rejection of a bill empower- am compelled to vote against the

Mobilizer Given Great Power

The measure, worked out in a in the Office of War Mobilization to stay in essential jobs.

Penalties for violators could have been \$10,000 fine and a year's im-It previously was understood that prisonment. The measure also would have given the War Mobilizer authority to investigate the ex-

tent to which labor is being hoard-

A substitute for the House-passed "work or-jail" bill and a subsequent its proponents a composite of the

While President Roosevelt said it wasn't everything he desired, or that General George C. Mershall and Admiral Ernest King wanted, he neverthless appealed to the Senate for its passage on the ground that it would assure production vital to the "successful conduct of the war."

Following is the vote by which the Senate rejected today the compromise manpower control bill.

For The Bill (29)

Democrats for-Bailey, Bankhead, Barkley, Byrd, Connally, Eastland, Fulbright, George, Hatch, Hill, Lucas, Maybank, McClellan, O'Daniel, Rad-Russell, Stewart, Thomas (Utah)-(18)

Republicans for-Austin, Ball, Brewster, Burton, Gurney, Hart, Reed, Salteristall,

Smith, Tobey, White-(11) Against The Bill (46)

Democrats against-Bildo, Briggs, Downey, Ellender, Gerry, Green, Johnson (Colo), Johnson (S. C.), Kilgore, Cagnuson, Mc-Carran, McFarland, McKeller, Mc-Mahon, Murdock, Murray, O'Mahoney, Pepper, Taylor, Thomas (Okla), Wheeler-(21)

Republicans against-Aiken, Brooks, Buck, Bushfield. Butler. Capehart, Capper. Cordon.

(Calif), Langer, Millikin, Moore, Morse, Revercomb, Shipstead, Taft, Vandenberg, Wherry, Wiley, Wil-

lis, Wilson, Young-(24). Progressive against-La Follette-(1)

Serious' Scarcities Said To **Grow As Victory Nears**

Washington, April 3 (AP)-"Serious shortages" of Allied food are growing larger as the victory road o Berlin grows shorter, a War Food Administration official testified today.

American civilians will have to eat still less, if even the minimum lend-lease and relief needs are met, W. Glmstead, chairman of WFA's food allocations committee, told the Senate Agriculture Committee.

Olmstead testified as the War Department told of increasing military needs for food-the Army wants twenty per cent more than

Canadian Meat Situation

Another development was Canadian statement that the United States had made no official request "for the importation of meat from Canada to the United States" except for dressed poultry.

[Meat has not been rationed in Canada for a year.]

Olmstead said "serious shortages are rapidly developing for meats, fats and oils, dairy products, dry eggs, sugar and rice.

He said there is ample wheat, milk and eggs for this country, that supples of fresh vegetables are expected to be adequate, and supplies of fresh fruit larger than a year

Reason Is Given

"The basic reason for the increasing shortages in prospect for 1945 he continued, "may be stated very simply: supplies are down and requirements are up."

Both the Senate Agriculture group are looking into the food asked Olmstead: "Why don't you situation. The latter group is ar. get meat from Canada?" ranging visits to New York and Olmstead replied: "Mr. Patergate black markets.

30.24-244.45 Donnell, Hickenlooper, Johnson termine whether this is larger than actual requirements. Army food estimates. Anderson said, included expected losses by ship sinkings.

In view of the great decrease of sinkings, he said, the committee wants to learn whether a large amount of food cannot be turned back for civilian use.

Army Has No Stock Pile

In advance of this study, however there came today from Robert P. Patterson, Under Secretary of War, a statement that "the Army has no stock pile of food," that it carries only "minimum working reserves, just as wholesalers and retailers do to assure a steady movement of food to the consumer."

"Computations based on various assumed dates for VE-day indicate no substantial reduction in net requirements but many shifts among the various types of food required, Patterson added. "The problem of feeding civilians in liberated and occupied areas will increase trenendously.

"Troops in the European area on VE-day must still be fed. . . . As their number decreases through redeployment to the Pacific or return to the United States, the amount of food going to the European area to feed our forces will decrease but the amounts going to the Pacific will increase."

Member Of Food Board

The Canadian official who brought up the matter of meat shipments from the Dominion to the United

States was G. R. Paterson, member of the United States-British-Canadian Food Board.

Olmstead read a letter in which Paterson called "very misleading" an earlier statement by Olmstead that the United States had been unable to obtain meat from Canada.

Paterson cited American protests last fall over the removal of an embargo on the shipment of live sh and lambs to the United States.

For United Kingdom

He said also that a similar embargo on the movement of live cattle for slaughter "was originally placed at our request and in full agreement with your department. in order that we might ship as much meat as possible to the United Kingdom."
Senator Shipstead (R., Minn.)

Boston and other cities to investi- son's letter indicates there is an embargo."

Representative Anderson (D., One purpose of the embargo, N.M.), chairman of the House com- when it was laid down, was to promittee, said it would also look to tect American cattle producers the Army "food set-aside" to de-from Canadian competition.

DEMANDS FOR FOOD BOOSTED BY AR

WASHINGTON, April 3.-(AP) The Army announced tonight that its food requirements for this year would be 12 per cent of the estimated 280 billion pounds available for distribution. This is an increase of 20 per cent over what was needed last year.

The figures were given by Undersecretary of War Patterson in a statement issued in the wake of criticism in Congress of Army foodbuying activities and complaints of hoarding.

In this connection, Patterson reiterated an assertion that "the Army has no stockpile of food," but does "carry minimum working reserves, just as wholesalers and retailers do to assure a steady movement of food to the consumer." To guard against disruption of supply, working stock levels are maintained in filler depots for overseas demands and in regional depots for camps in this country.

Filler depots are authorized to carry not more than a 60-day supply and regional depots not more than a 45-day supply, said Patter-

As recently as a year ago, Patterson said, the normal volume of food in the pipeline of supply for troops in this country was at a 90-day level, but "careful housekeeping" had reduced this. The volume of food in the pipeline for overseas averaged 108 days, but has been lowered to about 70 days, he added.

"The possibility of early victory in Europe holds little hope for reetion of Army food requirements during 1945," he said.

"Computations based on various assumed dates for V-E Day indicate no substantial reduction in net requirements but many shifts among the various types of food required. The problem of feeding civilians in liberated and occupied areas will increase tremendously.

"Troops in the European area on V-E Day must still be fed and will require increasing quantities of perishable foods, such as meats and fresh dairy products. As their number decreases through redeployment to the Pacific or return to the United States, the amount of food going to the European area to feed our forces will decrease but the amounts going to the Pacific will

ernment would not attempt to ness structure. He coupled with this, however, the declaration that while Japan fights "we will not enjoy anything like a free economy." Within twelve months following VE-day, the WPB chairman said specifically, automobiles and virtually all other civilian goods—including refrigerators, washing machines and radios—should be reach solving and radios—should be rea

Textile Shortage May Hurt Measure Giving Adminis-However, he noted that the shortage of textiles would hold back the manufacture of products "like auto-

tration Wide Powers Killed by Senate.

and military authorities.

He said he resented the implication that by quitting Byrnes was doing something he would deny workers. Byrnes stayed on the job, Hatch said, "longer perhaps than his health and welfare permitted." Senator Lucas (D-Ill.) declared

that Senators using Johnson's ar-

Communications Monopoly Opposed At Senate Hearing the basis of rough preliminary figures, payments by both individuals and corportaions went down with March a

ing denunciation of a Navy-pro- procedure. posed American international communications monopoly.

In testimony which Senator view. Clayton told the Senate Inter- general welfare of our people. state Commerce Committee:

"In view of the State Departcommunications facilities, on the basis of our experience to date and the evidence at hand, is inadvis-

"No Case For Partial Merger" Not only is the department-and Clayton said he spoke for Edward R. Stettinius, Secretary of Stateopposed to complete merger, but 'does not consider that an adequate case has been made for al

partial merger." He continued: 'If any merger is undertaken, it it will be so finited as to permit termined? competition between the different kinds of service, including compe tition between cables and radiotelegraph, and that such exceptions may be made, even to this rule, as to provide for special cases."

Clayton's testimony was in sharp conflict with the recommendation of James V. Forrestal, Navy Secretary, for a mandatory merger of all international facilities, including Press Wireless, Inc., into a private company in which representatives of the Cabinet would be included on the board of directors.

While he opposed the form of the Navy's proposed company, Paul A. Porter, chairman of the Communications Commission. likewise called for a mandatory consolidation without expressing an opinion as to whether it should be Government or privately owned.

'I understood that the President had designated Judge Rosenman

(White House adviser) to represent him on this subject and when Judge Rosenman talked with me I gathered the President was in favor of a consolidation," Wheeler told

Wheeler told reporters that Adolph A. Berle, Jr., former Assistant Secretary of State, had indi-

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Washington, April 3 (P)—Wil. Leu ne ravoreu a consomuation, liam L. Clayton, Assistant Secre. and Senator McFarland (D., Ariz.) tary of State, exploded a bombshell said he had a State Department than in 1943. on Capitol Hill today in a sweep- memorandum advocating such a

know Berle's views, but added:

"The department is strongly of Wheeler (D., Mont.), the chair- the opinion that no showing has man, called a sweeping reversal of yet been made that merger among system has spread payments previous State Department atti- competing companies is the means throughout the year: taxpayers tude and a departure from what he best calculated to protect our na paid more than half of their "ununderstood was the White House tional security and promote the forgiven" 1943 tax last March,

Quotes Department

ment, a complete merger into one the best progress can be made by wear than last; many millions of regulated competition, and that the taxpayers using the new simplified regulation and the competition are form sent no money at all, but will both indispensable and complement be billed later. each other."

He declared that if all such facilcompany "the freedom of the press ceipts lies in two items: might be jeopardized."

He said the record of Press Wire-er now. less, Inc., indicated the advantage of "a high degree of specialization" of renegotiation of contracts.

000, compared with \$5,911,000,000| in March a year ago. The Bureau of Internal Revenue said that, on slightly compared with March a

Total income was greater in 1944

The bureau said that in the case of individuals the decrease, there-Clayton testified that he did not fore, was ascribable to four fac-

Extension of the pay-as-you-go

leaving less than half to pay this March; more early payments were "The department believes that made in January and February this

Since individual and corporation income taxes decreased, the explaities were in the hands of one nation of the increase in total re-

Excise taxes. The rates are high-

Daniel W. Bell, Under-Secretary tions and pointed to "the desira- of the Treasury, said when asked (the State Department) hopes that of any merger that might be at

March War Costs Hit 8 Billions; Revenue of 6 Billions a Record

Federal spending in March reached far as the Treasury is concerned a new high record because the more war bonds." Army and Navy were simultaneously fighting the European war and making ready for onlarging. and making ready for enlarging of the Government (not including

the war in the Pacific. lected the largest amount of money exceeded \$9,000,000,000. in history despite the fact that The Budget Bureau's estimate of ly less than in March a year ago.

showed today that in March war timate will be exceeded. spending (not including Govern-the national debt, including obligament corporations) was \$8,246,-\$7,879,000,000 last May.

Total budgetary spending, for the war, interest on the public debt and ordinary Government purposes, was \$9,433,000,000. The previous record was \$8,625,000,000 in June. Receipts were \$6,892,000,-The previous record was \$6,573,000,000 in March, 1944.

Income taxes were \$5,818,000,-

WASHINGTON, April 3 (P)- "That means only one thing as

Government-owned corporations). In March the Government col- It was the first time total spending

in history despite the fact that war spending for the fiscal year is income tax payments were actual-war spending for the fiscal year is \$88,000,000,000. If the rate of the The daily Treasury statement first nine months continue, this es-

tions guaranteed but not owned by 000,000. The previous record was the Treasury, passed \$235,000,

Soft-Coal Workers Expected Back To Work Today

Washington, April 3 (A) - Softcoal mining was shut down today in many parts of the country despite a improved before then. 30-day contract extension, but a general resumption is expected tomorrow

The Solid Fuels Administration said production was only 60 per cent of normal. It forecast that output tomorrow would rise to 80 per cent, with full production, Thurs-

Mine workers gave a variety of reasons for remaining away from the pits. Operators ordered shut- trict 17. downs in some instances. A member of the miners' negotiating committee here blamed slow delivery of John L. Lewis's back-to-work telegrams of Sunday for much of the idleness.

First Work Day Of Week

"They will be back to work in the morning," this source said.

said the widespread work suspensions looked "like an inspired

This was the first regular work miners' holiday, which fell on Sun-

The War Labor Board appealed steps" to end work stoppages at four Montcoal (W.Va.) mines. F. E. Vigor, vice president of the Ameridecided it is wrong to work without a new contract," and that idleness in the mines threatens steel production.

Lewis Has No Comment

There were other isolated in of a contract, the cause of the general shutdown two years ago which agreement has been reached." culminated in Government seizure of the mines.

Lewis, who instructed the 400,-000 members of his United Mine Workers to continue work through April'under the contract which expired Saturday night with the stipulation that pay changes would be retroactive, negotiated briefly again today with the operators. Lewis would not comment on today's shutdowns.

Report Due Saturday

The negotiating committees are to report progress by Saturday to the War Labor Board, which ordered the 30-day extension.

At Pittsburgh, some steel com-

panies reported the effects of a shutdown would be felt at the mills in a week or so. Carnegie-Illinois Steel Corporation said eight blast furnaces would be forced to close

tomorrow unless the coke situation

Widespread shutdowns were reported in Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Kentucky, Alabama, Indiana, Virginia, Washington, Oregon and the Arkansas-Eastern Oklahoma district. Operations were nearly normal in Ohio, Michigan, Iowa, Illinois, Utah, Colorado, Wyoming, Montana and the Chattanooga (Tenn.) subdivision of Dis-

30,000 Reported Idle

In Pennsylvania, reports to the Solid Fuels Administration showed more than 30,000 of the State's 100,000 miners were idle today. At some of the mines the workers said they had not had an opportunity to vote on the question of extending the centract. Operators and work-On the other hand, an operator ers believed many of the mines would reopen tomorrow.

About one third of West Virginia's 100,000 miners also remained away from work today. day of the week, since there was Union spokesmen and some operawidespread delayed observance yes- tors said the absences were in part terday of "John Mitchell Day," a due to the fact that yesterday was a holiday and in part to misunderstanding about notices directing resumption of work. William Bliztoday to. Lewis to "take necessary zard, vice president of UMW District 17, said operators sent some of "our fellows home" with the claim the companies hadn't been can Rolling Mill Company, had in- notified of the contract extension. formed WLB that the miners "have Blizzard predicted an early extension of normal work.

Alabama's 84 mines were reported 95 per cent idle, with some 20,000 men absent. William Mitch, UMW district president, said union officials were in the field urging stances where miners ascribed the men to return to their jobs. He their refusal to work to absence predicted they would go back "when they understand that an

WASHINGTON, April 3 - (AP) The seven-year fight over government efforts to ship Harry Bridges back to his native Australia was placed in the Supreme court's hands today for final decision.

Attorney General Biddle ordered the West coast C.I.O. leader debeen a member of the Communist

party. Biddle at the time said party advocated violent overthrow of the United States government.

Bridges has fought Biddle's order in the Federal courts since it was issued in May, 1942. The Longshoremen's union executive came to this country 25 years ago.

Counsel for Bridges in opening the argument said Bridges denied ever being a member of the Communist party and that there was no evidence that he ever advocated overthrow of the government.

His attorney, Lee Pressman, told the Supreme court the Biddle order violated an alien's rights to protection of the Constitutions' Bill of Rights, particularly the right of free speech and assembly. Further, he said, the administrative procedures used in the case failed to give Bridges protection of due process of law.

"This court in earlier decisions has said that aliens are entitled to protection of free speech under our constitution," Pressman said. "The Justice department now contends that Congress may enact a law which says to the aliens: 'If you exercise the right of free speech, we will deport you."

"Congress," Pressman asserted, 'has no such authority."

Solicitor General Charles Fahy insisted that the government has "sovereign power, through its legislative and executive arms, to rid itself of those deemed inimical to the national welfare."

79 Cemeteries For Veterans, Kin_Planned

Projects in U. S. Will Cost \$122,900,000, Provide for Return of War Dead

WASHINGTON, April 3 (A) .-Congress will be asked for a \$122,-900,000 appropriation to provide seventy-nine national cemeteries with a capacity of 5,335,500 graves for American war veterans and their wives or widows.

Included in the proposal of the War Department are funds for the return of American dead of this var to the United States for burial.

Eligible for burial in national cemeteries are all honorably discharged veterans of any United hard labor. Unofficially it was States war, their wives or widows pointed out that General Miles did

of the armed forces.

The plan, prepared in a study by the Quartermaster General's office for the Senate Military Affairs Committee, includes the following recommended cemetery locations: New York: near metropolitan area of New York on east side of Hudson, 150,000 capacity; Buffalo area, 125,000; Syracuse area, 100,000, and Albany area, 100,000. New Jersey: Newark. 125,000; Trenton, 75,000. Connecticut: Hartford, 75,000.

Senator Lister Hill, Democrat, of Alabama, author of legislation for a national cemetery program, announced the proposed plan.

"A general policy has been adopted," the study said, "to return all World War dead to the United States from any theater when 70 per cent or more of nearest of kin ... so request."

The remaining dead will be buried in national cemeteries in the war area involved.

The requested appropriation would be allocated like this: \$1,645,480 to complete existing national cemeteries; \$109,000,000 for cemetery construction; \$2,737,000 for funeral transportation and equipment, and \$9,000,000 for personnel to operate the cemeteries.

CASE IS VOIDED

Army Decides Court-Martial Was Improperly Convened

Washington, April 3 (A)-The War Department said tonight that court martial proceedings against four Negro WACs at Fort Devens, Mass., were vacated because the court was improperly convened.

A department statement said it had recommended the cancellation "in the interest of the strictest justice towards the accused.'

The decision turned on a finding that the commanding general, Maj. Gen. Sherman Miles, of the 1st Service Command, was "technically the accuser within the meaning of Article of War 8 and therefore not authorized to convene the court."

Refused To Obey Orders

The four were convicted of refusing to obey superior officers and were under one-year sentences at ported on the ground that he had and members of women's branches not personally give the orders, but that they were issued in his name.

"An examination of the record indicated," the department said, Vandegrift Confirmed "that the case fell under the terms of Article of War 8, which provides that when a commanding officer is the accuser the court shall be appointed by a superior competent authority.

"It was therefore determined that, although the commanding general, First Service Command. in this particular instance, had no personal bias in the case whatsoever, nevertheless he was technically the accuser. . . .

Rules Of Military Justice

The statement said three of the 7ACs had refused to obey an order of the commanding general and the other a command of a subordinate officer. "The recommendation of the disapproval was extended to cover the latter case also in the interest of uniformity," the department added.

The department made the recom-

mendation through the office of the Judge Advocate General.

"The War Department points out," it was added, "that under the United States system of military justice every possible safeguard is provided through its automatic review procedure and to protect defendants against a miscarriage of justice."

President Accepts Resignations Of Two

dent Roosevelt today accepted the resignation of Warren Lee Pierson, who has been president of the Export-Import Bank since 1936.

Pierson submitted his resignation March 28, saying he desired to enter private business. Formerly a lawyer in Los Angeles, he came to Washington in 1933 as counsel for the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

The President also accepted today, effective April 30, the resignation of James Tanham as an industry member of the War Labor Board. Mr. Roosevelt accepted with regret and thanked Tanham for his services.

Scrandrett to Aid Commission WASHINGTON, April 3 (A) The White House made known today that Richard B. Scrandrett Jr., New York City lawyer and State Republican leader, had been appointed legal adviser to the American delegation on a German Reparations Commission. Dr. Isador Lubin, White House economist and labor consultant, is the American member of the commission. which will sit in Moscow.

As Four-Star General

Washington, April 3 (AP)—The Senate confirmed today the promotion of Lieut. Gen. Alexander A. Vandegrift, Marine Corps Commandant, to the rank of four-star general.

Approval also was given to advancement of Richard S. Edwards, Henry K. Hewitt and Thomas C. Kinkaid to the rank of admiral.

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DD LONDON RUSSIAN (KASISCHKE) XXX BRATISLAVA BY ENEMY ACCOUNT RUSSIAN TANKS AND STORM UNITS HAD KNIFED INTO THE SOUTHERN OUTSKIRTS OF THE BASTION OF WIENER NEUSTADT, 22 MILES SOUTH OF VIENNA, AND HAD THRUST 32 MILES INSIDE AUSTRIA TO SEMMERING PASS. ONE OF FIVE GREAT TRANS-ALPINE PASSES IN EUROPE. MOSCOW DISPATCHES REPORTED FIGHTING FOR NEUDOERFL, TWO MILES EAST OF WIENER NEUSTADT, A GREAT MESSERSCHMITT PLANE ASSEMBLY CENTER.

THIRTEEN MILES TO THE EAST THE GERMANS SAID STORM UNITS OF MARSHAL FEODOR I, TOLBUKHIN'S THIRD UKRAINIAN ARMY HAD FOUGHT TO THE SOUTHERN Washington, April 3 (A)-Presi- SLOPES OF THE LEITHA MOUNTAINS AT A POINT 20 MILES SOUTH OF VIENNA. MOSCOW CLAMPED A NEWS BLACKOUT ON THE FIGHTING SOUTH OF VIENNA THE SOVIET COMMUNIQUE SAYING ONLY THAT RED ARMY FORCES WERE "CONTINUING OFFENSIVE ENGAGEMENTS" ON BOTH SIDES OF THE NEUSIEDLER SEE (LAKE), ON THE WEST SHORE OF WHICH THE RUSSIANS LAST WERE REPORTED 22 MILES FROM THE AUSTRIAN CAPITAL.

EAST OF VIENNA MARSHAL RODION Y. MALINOVSKY'S SECOND UKRAINIAN ARMY SMASHED WITHIK TWO AND A HALF MILES OF BRATISLAVA CAPITAL OF THE PUPPET STATE OF SLOVAKIA, CAPTURING BISCHDORF (BISKUPICE) IN AN 11-MILE ADVANCE, MOSCOW ANNOUNCED.

NORTH UNCHECKED NITRA FRONT TOPOLCHANY 72-MILE 3 CAPTURED SLOVAKIA

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LONDON, APRIL 3-(AP)-NAZI "WEREWOLF" TERRORISTS BROADCAST TONIGHT THAT THEY HAD KIDNAPPED AND SLAIN AN AMERICAN MILITARY GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL AND AMBUSHED AND KILLED AMERICAN SOLDIERS IN AACHEN AND OTHER OCCUPIED TOWNS.

NONE OF THE STATEMENTS HAD ANY ALLIED SUBSTANTIATION BUT DURING THE DAY ALLIED TRANSMITTERS REPEATEDLY BROADCAST GEN. EISENHOWER'S WARNING THAT ANY GERMAN CAUGHT ATTACKING ALLIED PERSONNEL BEHIND THE LINES WOULD BE "ARRESTED, TRIED AND SHOT" ACCORDING TO INTERNATIONAL LAW.

LONDON, APRIL 3 (AP)-THE ALLIED 12TH ARMY GROUP BROADCAST A CALL

TODAY TO GERMAN ARMY TROOPS TRAPPED IN THE RUHR TO SURRENDER.

THE BROADCAST, OVER THE LUXEMBOURG RADIO, TOLD THE HUGE ENEMY

FORCE THEIR POSITION WAS HOPELESS AND THAT ONLY THOSE WHO SURRENDER

WILL LIVE.

LONDON, APRIL 3 (AP)-A WAC SERGEANT-MOTHER AND HER ALR FORCE SERGEANT-SC

XRE REUNITED BEXERMY IN ENGLAND TODAY WERE ENJOYING A BRIEF HOLIDAY

TOGETHER IN SCOTLAND

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THE MOTHER-MRS OLLIE DILLON-LEFT MER THE CLOTHING STORE SHE OWNED AT 1401 IZAID ST., FORREST CITY, ARK., IN SEPTEMBER, 1942 AND EN-

LISTED IN THE WACS THE SAME DAY HER SON JAMES H. DILLON, JR., LEFT HIS

JOB AS AN INSPECTOR AT THE FISHER AIRCRAFT PLANT IN MEMPHIS, TENN., TO

ENTER THE ARMY.

SHE ARRIVED IN THE MEDITERRANEAN THEATER IN NOVEMBER, 1943 A

FEW WEEKS AFTER HER SON ARRIVED IN ENGLAND WHERE HE WAS IN CHARGE OF THE

SUPPLY BASES IN NORTH AFRICA AND ITALY MRS DILLON WAS GIVEN A TEMPORARY APR 4 1945

HELPFUL OFFICERS ARRANGED FOR THE SIMULTANEOUS FURLOUGHS,

CARRYING ON AT HOME BY HELPING MANUFACTURE BOMBERS IN THE SAME MEMPHIS
PLANT WHERE HIS SON ONCE WORKED.

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London, April 3-(AP)-A Message to Premier Stalin from the first Polish army, expressing gratitude for liberation of Danzig and Idynia, was broadcast tonight by the moscow radio.

The broadcast said Stalin had replied, "The Seviet union sexecuting its duty as Poland's ally. It will continue doing so in the

future to its utmost capacity."

A U.S. Air Station, England, April 3-(AP)-The Rev.

William J. Zink of Chicago was awarded the soldier's medal today for rushi into a blazing barracks in a vain attempt to rescue trapped men.

The chaplain, assigned to an eighth air force base, was assistant pastor of St. Nicholas of Tolentine parish in 1941 and 1942 and previously was assistant pastor of Mary Queen of Heaven Catholic church in Cicero, Ill.

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LONDON, APRIL 3-XBMMEN-(AP)-"THE WHOLE DAMNED

GERMAN MERCHANT MARINE MUST HAVE BEEN THERE," SAID FORTRESS COPILOT LT. JOHN B. DIGNAN OF 124 HERBERT ST., WAKEFIELD, MASS., ON RETURNING

TODAY FROM THE EIGHTH AIR FORCE RAID ON KIEL.

I "THEY HEADED OUT TO SEA LIKE MAD WHEN WE APPROACHED,"

ADDED LT. EDWARD J. RISK OF PANTUCKETT, R. I., PILOT OF ONE OF THE

ESCORTING MUSTANGS.

LONDON APRIL 3-(AP)-REP. JOHN C. KUNKEL (R-PENNA), MEMBER OF THE HOUSE BANKING COMMITTEE, HAS ARRIVED IN LONDON WHERE HE IS EXPECTED TO CONFER WITH BRITISH FINANCIAL EXPERTS ON THE BRETTON WOODS PROPOSALS.

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LONDON, APRIL 3-(AP)-LT. BRUCE V. CARR, UNION SPRINGS, N. Y., SHOT DOWN FIVE GERMAN PLANES OUT OF A FORMATION OF 60 ME-1095 AND FW-1905 HE ENCOUNTERED YESTERDAY NEAR WEIMAR, GERMANY.

CARR, A MUSTANG PILOT WITH THE U.S. MINTH AIR FORCE, NOW HAS A TOTAL OF 18 GERMAN PLANES SHOT DOWN TO HIS CREDIT.

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LONDON, APRIL 3-(AP)-THE BRITISH BOARD OF TRADE INDICATED TODAY THAT PRIVATE EXPORTS TO FRANCE WOULD BE STEPPED UP WITHIN A SHORT TIME AS A RESULT OF THE NEW ANGLO-FRENCH FINANCIAL AGREEMENT.

BRITISH TRADERS WERE ADVISED THAT IT MIGHT BE A GOOD IDEA TO GET IN TOUCH WITH OLD CUSTOMERS IN FRANCE, EVEN THOUGH EXPORTS WOULD BE LIMITED FOR THE PRESENT TO PURCHASES BY A FRENCH GOVERNMENT

ORGANIZATIONS FOR IMPORTERS IN FRANCE TO ASK THROUGH THEIR TRADE ORGANIZATIONS FOR INCLUSION OF THEIR REQUIREMENTS IN THE FRENCH IMPORT PROGRAM. THE BOARD OF TRADE STATEMENT SAID. IT MAY, HOWEVER, BE USEFUL FOR BRITISH EXPORTERS TO GET IN TOUCH WITH THEIR CUSTOMERS IN FRANCE AND GIVE THEM ALL RELEVANT INFORMATION AS TO THEIR POSSIBILITIES OF EXPORT TO FRANCE.

EVEN GOODS CONTRACTED FOR BY A FRENCH PURCHASING MISSION THAT ARE STILL ON THE RESTRICTED LIST WILL BE SUBJECT TO THE EXPORT LICENSING ACT. HOWEVER, ALL RESTRICTIONS IMPOSED BY THE 1939 TRADING WITH THE ENEMY ACT ARE NOW LIFTED, THE BOARD SAID, SO THAT "BANKING AND COMMERCIAL RELATIONS WITH FRANCE CAN BE RENEWED AND PAYMENT CAN BE MADE ON NEW TRANSACTIONS ENTERED INTO AFTER MARCH 29, 1945, WITHOUT OBLIGATION TO PAY THE CUSTODIAN OF ENEMY PROPERTY."

THERE WILL BE NO RESTRICTIONS ON THE RECEIPT OF MOONEY FROM FRANCE THROUGH BANKING CHANNELS, THE ONLY PROVISION BEING THAT FRENCH BALANCES MUST BE OFFERED FOR SAIL TA THE TREASMENT THROUGH A BANK.

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LONDON, APRIL 3-(AP)-METROPOLITAN POLICE HAVE BEEN ALERTED
FOR V-E DAY. THE BOBBIES FROM NOW ON, ARE ON ONE-HOUR CALL.
LONDON POLICE COMMISSIONERS ADOPTED THE ATTITUDE THAT REVELLERS
MUST BE TREATED IN A "FATHERLY MANNER," EXCEPT IN EXTREME CASES.
TAXIS PROBABLY WILL BE TAKEN OFF SOME CENTRAL LONDON STREETS
AND BUS SERVICE MAY BE SUSPENDED IF THE CROWDS BECOME UNMANAGEABLE.
BARS AND RESTAURANTS WILL BE OPEN.
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LONDON, APRIL 3-(AP)-THE RAPID ADVANCE OF CANADIAN AND BRITISH FORCES IN NORTHERN HOLLAND AND GERMANY HAS BEEN REFLECTED IN THE ABSENCE OF ANY ROCKETS OR V-BOHBS OVER BRITAIN IN FOUR SUCCESSIVE DAYS AND NIGHTS.

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LONDON, APRIL 3-(AP)-THE SOLDIERS MEDAL WAS AWARDED TODAY TO LT.

HEBER D.HANSEN, TWIN FALLS, IDA., AND SGT.JOSE H A.

BLINEBURY, 3146 GLENVIEW ST., PHILADELPHIA, PA., WHO DRAGGED TWO

CREWMEN FROM A BURNING FLYING FORTRESS JUST BEFORE ITS BOMBS EXPLODED.

HANSEN, A NAVIGATOR, AND BLINEBURY, A BALL-TURRET GUNNER, WERE MEMBE

OF THE CREW OF THE SHIP, WHICH CRASHED DURING A TAKEOFF WITH A FULL BON

LOAD.

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THE NINTH WAS LESS THAN 50 MILES FROM HANNOVER, 114 FROM HAMBURG AND 80 FROM BRUNSWICK.

THE AMERICAN SEVENTH ARMY MOVING ACROSS RUGGED SOUTHERN GERMANY CLOSED WITHIN 44 MILES OF MUERNBERG, 32 OF STUTTGART AND SIX OF HEILBRONN AFTER OUTFLANKING KARLSRURE NEAR THE RHINE. MORE THAN HALF OF THE RUINS OF ASCHAFFENBURG ON THE MAIN RIVER, 22 MILES SOUTHEAST OF FRANKFURT, WERE WON BY THE 45TH DIVISION WHILE OTHER SEVENTH ARMY MEN FOUGHT 18 MILES TO THE EAST.

THE CANADIANS FOUGHT WITHIN THREE MILES OF THE BIG DUTCH RHINE CITY OF ARRHUM, CAPTURING HUISSEN AND ANGEREN IN THE SO-CALLED ISLAND BETWEI RIVERS NORTH OF NIJMEGEN.

AT LAST REPORTS, THE CANADIANS WERE WITHIN EIGHT MILES OF DEVENTER ON THE MAIN TRAFFIC LINE TO THE W-BOMB LAUNCHING SITTES ON THE DUTCH COAST BETWEEN ROTTERDAM AND THE HAGUE. ALREADY, THE VENCEFUL BOMBARDMENT OF ENGLAND HAS EASED AS SUPPLY LINE AFTER SUPPLY LINE WAS CUT BY CANADIAN AND BRITISH ADVANCES.

THROUGH THE TIGHTENING CORRIDOR AROUND THE EASTERN END OF THE ZUIDER ZEE, THE GERMANS WERE RUNNING EASTWARD.

ZUIDER ZEE, THE GERMANS WERE RUNNING EASTWARD.

THERE SEEMED CONSIDERABLE LIKLIHOOD THAT THIS TIME, THE WEHRMACHT'S MAILING MEED FOR MANDOWER INSIDE GERMANY WOULD OUTWEIGH THE PAST WALLING MEED FOR MANDOWER INSIDE GERMANY WOULD OUTWEIGH THE PAST WALLING MEED FOR MANDOWER INSIDE GERMANY WOULD OUTWEIGH THE PAST WALLING MEED FOR MANDOWER INSIDE GERMANY WOULD OUTWEIGH THE PAST WALLING MEED FOR MANDOWER INSIDE GERMANY WOULD OUTWEIGH THE PAST WALLING MEED FOR MANDOWER INSIDE GERMANY WOULD OUTWEIGH THE PAST WALLING MEED FOR MANDOWER INSIDE GERMANY WOULD OUTWEIGH THE PAST WALLING MEED FOR MANDOWER INSIDE GERMANY WOULD OUTWEIGH THE PAST WALLING MEED FOR MANDOWER INSIDE GERMANY WOULD OUTWEIGH THE PAST WALLING MEED FOR MANDOWER INSIDE GERMANY WOULD OUTWEIGH THE PAST WALLING MEED FOR MANDOWER INSIDE GERMANY WOULD OUTWEIGH THE PAST WALLING MEED FOR MANDOWER INSIDE GERMANY WOULD OUTWEIGH THE PAST WALLING MEED FOR THE PAST WALLIN

DUTCH COAST WOULD BE ABANDONED. THE NAZIS MASSED DARGES DI THE
HUNDREDS ON THE ZUIDER ZEE.

THE CANADIANS AND BRITISH DROVE ACROSS THE TWENTE CANAL. JUST EAST
OF ZUTPHEN. THE BRITISH ADVANCED 17 MILES NORTH TO NORDHORN AND ON
BEYOND THERE. GAINS OF UP TO EIGHT MILES WERE COMMONPLACE. AT
NORDHORN THE BRITISH WERE A BARE 60 MILES FROM THE NORTH SEA.

THE HEAVIEST RESISTANCE IN THE NORTH WAS AROUND OSNABRUECK FROM A
BATTALION OF OFFICERS CANDIDATES.

WELL TO THE EAST AND STILL GOING STRONG, THE SECOND ARMORED
(HELL ON WHEELS) DIVISION OF THE U.S. NINTH ARMY LAID SIEGE TO
BIELEFELD, APPROACHED WHAT MAY BE A GERMAN DEFENSE LINE ON THE WESER
AND CUT ROADS FROM BIELEFELD TO PADERBORN AND OSNABRUECK.

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PARIS-2ND ADD FIRST NIGHT LEAD WESTERN FRONT XXX OSNABRUECK.

THE THIRD ARMY'S 11TH ARMORED DIVISION CROSSED THE WERRA RIVER

ANEW, ADVANCED NINE MILES ACROSS THURINGIA TO THE AREA 17 MILES SOUTH

OF GOTHA, AN AIRCRAFT MANUFACTURING CENTER AND THE LEADING COMMERCIAL

CENTER OF THE PROVINCE.

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ANOTHER OF THE DIVISION'S COMBAT TEAMS ADVANCED 11 MILES TO A POINT 27 MILES SOUTH OF GOTHA AND ONLY 65 NORTHWEST OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK BORDER. IT WAS THE 26TH DIVISION WHICH CLEARED FULDA, A CITY OF 27,000 AND AN IMPORTANT TRAFFIC CENTER WHENCE CATHOLIC CHURCHMEN ISSUED ANNUAL PASTORAL LETTERS. THE DIVISION MOVED ON FIVE MILES TO THE NORTHEAST.

ONE COLUMN OF THE SIXTH ARMORED DIVISION REACHED THE SECTOR 13 MILES SOUTHEAST OF KASSEL AND INFANTRY REACHED THE WERRA RIVER 18 MILES EAST OF KASSEL. ONE CONFUSED GERMAN BROADCAST PREMATURELY SAID KASSEL HAD FALLEN.

ONE OF THE THIRD ARMY'S CAVALRY GROUPS OVERRAN ANOTHER PRISONER OF WAR CAMP NEAR BAD ORB, 25 MILES SOUTHWEST OF FULDA, AND RELEASED 6,538 PRISONERS OF WAR INCLUDING A RUSSIAN MAJOR GENERAL AND HIS STAFF.

ANOTHER SIXTH ARMORED COLUMN CAPTURED AN INTACT BRIDGE ACROSS THE WERRA RIVER AND DROVE EIGHT MILES BEYOND TO A POINT 27 MILES SOUTHEAST OF KASSEL.

NEAR HESS LICHTENAU, 12 MILES SOUTHEAST OF KASSEL, AN ENEMY AIRFIELD WAS FOUND ABANDONED AND WAS CAPTURED.

KASSEL IS ONE OF GERMANY'S LARGER ARSENALS AND IS THE LOCALE FROM WHICH THE HESSIANS MERCENARIES CAME TO FIGHT GEORGE WASHINGTON'S AMERICAN ARMY IN THE REVOLUTION.

THE PERIMETER DEFENSE OF KASSEL WERE TAKEN AFTER THREE DAYS OF SAVAGE BATTLING AND THE SOTH (BLUE RIDGE) DIVISION BEGAN MOVING

CONTO THE STREETS AFTER DAWN. TANKS RAN AROUND FROM THE SOUTHWEST AND CAME INTO THE CITY FROM THE NORTHEAST -- THE BIG GUNS SHOOTING.

A TREMENDOUS EXPLOSION SHOOK THE CENTER OF KASSEL AT NOON: THE GERMANS WERE BELIEVED TO HAVE BLOWN UP MUNITIONS STORES PREPARATORY TO RETREAT. THE WHOLE CITY WAS A SHAMBLES, LONG SINCE REDUCED BY AIR POWER, BUT WITH ITS FACTORIES REBUILT FROM TIME TO TIME.

AT ONE TIME DURING THE BATTLE FOR KASSEL, 28 GERMAN TANKS FRESH FROM THE ASSEMBLY LINES CHARGED INTO AMERICAN INFANTRY RANKS IN THE SOUTHERN SUBHRBS. THEY WERE CHASED BACK AFTER SIX WERE DESTROYED. THE PAINT SUBURBS. THEY WERE CHASED BACK AFTER SIX WERE DESTROYED. THE PAINT ON ONE DERELICT FROM THE SPRAWLING HENSCHEL LOCOMOTIVE WORKS WAS

SCARCELY DRY. FIRST AND NINTH ARMY SIEGE LINES BEAT DOWN EVERY CERMAN EFFORT
TO BREAK FROM THE RUHR. THE MAIN COUNTERATTACKS WERE AROUND WINTERBERG
AT THE EASTERN RIM OF THE POCKET. THE GERMANS, THOUGH BEATEN AGAIN
AND AGAIN, STILL HAD FIGHT AND RESOLUTION AND ONE OFFICER SAID THE
GERMANS APPEARED TO BE BUILDING UP FOR "A MAJOR ATTACK."
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THE NINTH DIVISION, HOWEVER, TOOK THE INITIATIVE LATE IN THE DAY
AND STARTED ADVANCING. OTHER FIRST ARMY UNITS CROSSED THE SIEG
RIVER ON THE SOUTH, COMPRESSING THE DEATH BOX. IN A FOUR-MILE ADVANCE,
MECHANIZED CAVALRY FOUGHT THROUGH ALTENBUREN, RIZEN AND SCHARFENBERG,
ALL 20-ODD MILES SOUTHEAST OF PADERBORN.

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CONSIDERABLY MORE THAN 10,000 PRISONERS WERE COUNTED MONDAY WITH ONLY A FEW OF THE NINE ATTACKING ARMIES REPORTING. THE FIRST ARMY TOOK 4,821, THE SEVENTH BAGGED 3,789, AND THE BRITISH 2,000.

THE NINTH ARMY HAS CAPTURED 7,000 TO 8,000 PRISONERS IN THE LAST

THE NINTH ARMY HAS CAPTURED 7,000 TO 8,000 PRISONERS IN THE LAST
THREE DAYS.

THE FIFTH ARMORED DIVISION OF THE NINTH ARMY WAS NEAREST THE WESER
RIVER, WHICH WITH THE ELBE ARE THE LAST BARRIER STREAMS ON THE HIGH
ROAD TO BERLIN. THE FIFTH MADE 25 MILES ON MONDAY ALONE ON THE FIRST
DAY OF ITS ATTACK EAST OF THE RHINE.

THE SECOND ARMORED DIVISION OF THE NINTH CLEARED THE LAST OF FOUR
PASSES IT FACED IN THE TUTOBERGER WALD, A WOODED RIDGE DEFENDED
BIELEFELD AND THE APPROACHES TO THE WESER. THE DIVISION FOUGHT ALL
NIGHT AND THREW BACK A DETERMINED GERMAN ATTACK AT NEUHAUS, TWO MILES
MODTHWEST OF PADERBORN. NORTHWEST OF PADERBORN.

THE BRITISH AND AMERICANS CLEARED ALL MUENSTER SAVE FOR SMALL ARMS FIRE NEAR THE CENTER OF THE ANCIENT CITY. SIEGE TROOPS MOVED ON TWO MILES BEYOND THE RUINED TOWN.

A SMALL COUNTERATTACK WAS REPULSED EASILY AT HAMM.

(EDS THREE GRAFS UP READ XXX WOODED RIDGE DEFENDING)

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PARIS -- FIRST ADD WESTERN FRONT X X I WESTERN HOLLAND.

A FRONT DISPATCH SAID BRITISH PATROLS HAD PLUNGED BEYOND

GENABRUECK ON THE NORTHEAST. OTHER SPEARHEADS WERE WITHIN SIVE

MILES OF THAT DIG INDUSTRIAL CITY, WHICH LIES 65 MILES SOUTHWEST OF TO THE ADLERHORST--CABINS SIMILAR TO THOSE HOUSING SMALL WINERIES

BREMEN. THEY HAD CAPTURED LENGERICH AND TECKLEBBURG, MINE HILES

SOUTHWEST OF GENABRUECK.

ALONG THE RHINE. TO ENTER, ONE MUST GET PAST HUGE POWER-OPERATED

INFANTRY OPERATING EAST OF ZUTPHEN REACHED THE TWENTHE CAMAL AT

SEVERAL POINTS 20 MILES NORTHEAST OF ARNHEM, AND WERE ABOUT 25 MILE

THE QUARTERS OF HITLER AND THE OTHER NAZI BIGWIGS IN THE VAST FROM THE ZUIDER ZEE.

(THE ALLIED-CONTROLLED NETHERLANDS RADIO SAID HENCELO, SIX MILES NORTHWEST OF ENSCHIDE, HAS BEEN COMPLETELY CLEARED OF THE GERMANS. FCC RECORDED THE BROADCAST.)

BRITISH TROOPS RACED 17 MILES MORTH OF CAPTURED ENSCHEDE TO MORDHORM, 40 MILES DUE EAST OF ZWOLLE NEAR THE ZUIDER ZEE.
RHEIME, 20 MILES WEST OF OSMABRUECK, WAS CLEARED OF THE EMEMY AND THE FALL OF OSMABRUECK ITSELF WAS IMMIRENT. THE MOPPING UP OF STUDBORM KNOTS OF EMEMY RESISTANCE BETWEEN RHEIME AND GRONAU, 17 MILES TO THE WEST, CONTINUED.
ON THE RIGHT FLANK THE U.S. NINTH ARMY AND THE SIXTH CUARDS ARMORED BRIGADE CLEARED TWO-THIRDS OF THE CATHEDRAL CITY OF MUENSTER, 25 MILES SOUTHWEST OF OSMABRUECK.

APR 4 1945 A SECURITY BLACKOUT STILL SHROUDED THE MOVEMENTS OF HINTH ARMY SPEARHEADS STRIKING FAR BEYOND THE RUNR. ADVICES LAST HIGHT, HOWEVER, INDICATED ELEMENTS OF THE HINTH HIGHT ALREADY HAVE REACHED THE WESER RIVER NEAR HAMELM, ONLY 155 HILES FROM BERLIN.

A DISPATCH FROM GEN. OMAR N. BRADLEY'S 12TH ARMY GROUP HEADQUARTERS, MEANWHILE, SAID THAT A TOTAL OF 350,000 CERMANS HAD BEEN CAPTURED IN MARCH, OF THESE 150,000 WERE TAKEN BY THE THIRD ARMY AND 90,000 BY THE FIRST ARMY.

ALONG THE CENTER OF THE WESTERN FRONT THE U.S. THIRD ARMY REACHED THE WERRA RIVER ON A BROAD FRONT AND CROSSED THE STREAM NEAR EISENACH, 155 MILES SOUTHWEST OF BERLIN AND 90 MILES FROM LEIPZIG.

LT. GEN. GEORGE S. PATTON'S FORCES WERE MORE THAN HALF-WAY ACROSS THE WAIST OF CERMANY. THEY WERE ABOUT 90 MILES FROM THE CZECHOSLOVAK FRONTIER IN A DRIVE TO SPLIT THE REICH AND BAR A CERMAN RETREAT INTO THE BAVARIAN ALPS. OTHER THIRD ARMY UNITS CROSSED THE

FULDA RIVER IN THE EASTWARD SWEEP.

THE U.S. SEVENTH ARMY SENT SPEARHEADS NORTH, EAST AND WEST IN SIZEABLE ADVANCES, AND THE ADJACENT FRENCH FIRST ARMY AT THE SOUTHERN END OF THE FRONT CAPTURED 60 LOCALITIES IN 48 HOURS, WIDENING ITS BRIDGEHEAD ACROSS THE RHINE NEAR KARLSRUHE TO 25 MILES.

"THESE MEN ARE OUR FIRST BUAL CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR WINNERS, " CAPT.H.J.LIMPRECHT, CAPITOL HOTEL, LINCOLN, NEB., SAID. "THEIR UNSURPASSED HEROISM PLAYED A MAJOR ROLE IN GETTING US ACROSS HIGHWAY SIX TO STRIKE AT THE GERMAN FORCES TRYING TO PULL OUT OF

MAIN APPROACH (BALL)

THE QUARTERS OF HITLER AND THE OTHER NAZI BIGWIGS IN THE VAST UNDERGROUND CITY WERE BUILT AROUND THE RIM, GIVING THEM OUTSIDE EXPOSURES AND RUSTIC TERRACES INVISIBLE FROM THE AIR OR FROM THE COUNTRYSIDE BELOW.

WHEN AMERICANS INVADED NORTH AFRICA ROSE WAS WITH THE FIRST ARMORED DIVISION. HE HEADED A COMBAT COMMAND OF THE SECOND ARMORED DIVISION IN THE DRIVE THROUGH SICILY AND THEN WAS TRANSFERRED TO THE THIRD ARMORED DIVISION.

SHORTLY AFTER THE ST.LO BREAKTHROUGH, ROSE WAS PUT IN COMMAND OF THE THIRD. HIS ARMOR WAS ONE OF THE SPEARHEADING UNITS IN THE DRIVE ACROSS FRANCE. IT WAS THE FIRST ARMOR IN BELGIUM, FIRST INTO GERMANY, FIRST THROUGH THE SIEGFRIED LINE AND THEN HELPED STEM FIELD MARSHAL VON RUNDSTEDT'S ARDENNES OFFENSIVE. IT WAS FIRST INTO COLOGNE.

LT.GEN.COURTNEY H. HODGES CHOSE ROSE TO SPEARHEAD THE BREAKTHROUGH FROM THE RHINE.

ROSE, WHO WAS 45, LIVED AT DENVER, COLO.

ALL OVER TOWN PRISONERS KEPT COMING IN BY ONES AND TWOS. PFC.

DONALD GARNER OF DENTON, N.C., WHO TOOK CHARGE OF TWO WHO WANTED TO
SURRENDER TO ME, SAID THAT BY MISTAKE HE ALMOST WENT TO BED WITH
ONE LAST NIGHT IN A CELLAR BUT CLEARED OUT WHEN THE GERMAN COMPLAINED
THERE WASN'T ENOUGH ROOM FOR TWO SLEEPERS.

"WE TOOK OVER A THOUSAND PRISONERS YESTERDAY BY OURSELVES," SAID
MAJ. GUS HEILMAN OF CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., COMMANDING THE SECOND
BATTALION OF THE 157TH REGIMENT, "AND WE GOT ANOTHER 250 TODAY.

"THE GERMAN COMMANDANT SAID HE HADN'T SURRENDERED STONER BECAUSE
HE COULDN'T FIND A LADDER LONG ENOUGH TO RUN A WHITE FLAG UP ON THE

LT. IRVIN BLOCK OF 2443 EDGEHILL RD., CLEVELAND, OHIO, SAID HE AND HIS PLATOON OF 18 MEN HAD GOT INTO A FIRE FIGHT IN A BARRACKS, WITH THE AMERICANS AT ONE END OF THE BUILDING AND THE GERMANS BARRICADED

"THERE WAS A WOUNDED GERMAN OUT IN THE YARD NEAR OUR END OF THE BARRACKS," HE SAID, "AND A BIG BLONDE GERMAN GIRL WEARING A RED CROSS CAME OUT OF THE GERMAN END OF THE BUILDING AND ASKED IF SHE COULD TAKE

WE TOLD HER SURE AND ASKED IF THE OTHERS AT THE OTHER END OF THE

BUILDING WOULDN'T LIKE TO SURRENDER.

"SHE STARTED BACK TO SEE, AFTER ASKING US NOT TO SHOOT, AND IN ABOUT FIVE MINUTES SHE CAME OUT WITH A WHITE FLAG LEADING 250 GERMAN SOLDIERS. BESIDES THAT THERE WAS A CELLARFULL OF WOUNDED, SO WE LEFT HER TO STAY AND TAKE CARE OF THEM."

"A LOT OF THE TROOPS HERE WERE CONVALESCENT WOUNDED IN THE FIRST PLACE," SAID MAJOR HEILMAN, BUT THIS GERMAN MAJOR MADE THEM REPORT TO HIM FOR DEFENSE ASSIGNMENTS ANYWAY. ONE AIR FORCE CAPTAIN DIDN'T SHOW UP AND THE MAJOR HAD HIM HANGED."

IN THEIR DEFENSE HERE THE GERMANS USED TWO AMERICAN M-4 TANKS ON WHICH THEY HAD WHITEWASHED NAZI CROSSES. AMERICAN ARTILLERY KNOCKED OUT ONE OF THEM AND THE TANK DESTROYER TEAM OF LT. ED TOUSIGNAMT OF IRONWOOD, MICH., DESTROYED THE OTHER. CORP. BENJAMIN BLOOM OF TOIVOLA, MICH., PUT THREE SHOTS THROUGH IT AT 200 YARDS. OTHERS IN THE DESTROYER CREW WERE PUT. JAMES RICE OF HARSHALL, N.C., PFC JESSE WALKER OF WHEELER, TEXAS: T/4 PAUL BEAMER OF 409 SECOND ST., S.E., CANTON, OHIO; AND SGT. THEODORE MFCADDEN OF RFD 3, AUGUSTA, ME. ME. RP1137PEW

BY WES CALLACHER
ON A REICH AUTOBANN TO BERLIN, APRIL 3-(AP)-THE U.S. SECOND ARMORED
DIVISION HAD SHASHED THROUGH THE TEUTOBURGER WALD TODAY, CRUSHING A
CERMAN ATTEMPT TO MAKE A STAND ON THE BATTLEFIELD WHERE 2,000 YEARS
AGO GERMANIC TRIBES DESTROYED THREE ROMAN LEGIONS.
THE AMERICANS REVERSED HISTORY IN A SHARP FIVE-HOUR BATTLE BY
BREAKING THROUGH ONE OF THE KEY VASSES IN THE FORESTED, HILLY AREA
WHICH FORMS ONE OF THE MAIN NATURAL DEFENSE LINES ON THE ROAD TO

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SIZE

MOST OF THE 7.500 PRISONERS TAKEN IN THE PAST THREE DAYS NERE STATIC TROOPS, SUCH AS FLAK AND AIRFIELD DEFENSE MEN. SIX GERMAN WOMEN IN AUXILIARY SERVICE WERE TURNED OVER TO A GERMAN MAYOR WITH INSTRUCTIONS TO KEEP THEM LOCKED UP FOR A WHILE. ELEMENTS SUCH AS POLICE AND RAILWAY WORKERS, SOMETIMES FOUND MIXED UP IN THE ARMY, WERE TURNED LOOSE UNLESS THEY WERE ACTUALLY FOUND FIGHTING. SOME OLD BROKEN DOWN VOLKSSTURMERS, MANY OF WHOM NEVER HAD GUNS, WERE ORDERED TO GO MOME. BESIDES THE ONE PASS CUT THROUGH THE TEUTOBURGER WALD ON THE AUTOBAHN. A TASK FORCE UNDER COL. WILLIAM STOKES, LYNCHBURG, VA., FOUCHT FOR TWO MORE SOUTH OF THE AUTOBAHN.

TESTERDAY'S LINKUP WITH THE THIRD ARMORED DIVISION WAS ACCOMPLISHED BY A SECOND ARMORED TASK FORCE UNDER COL. PAUL A. DISNEY, BEVERLY. MASS.

THE ARMORED SWEEP IS DIFFICULT TO KEEP TRACK OF IN DETAIL. COLUMNS ADVANCE ON A HALF DOZEN ROADS AND A TOWN CLEARED ONE MINUTE MAY BE FILLED THE NEXT WITH GERMAN SOLDIERS WHO AMBUSH THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS. TANKS COMING DOWN ONE ROAD SHOOT UP GERMANS TRYING TO ESCAPE FROM OTHERS.

BIG TOWNS ARE BEING BY-PASSED TO GIVE SPEED TO THE ARMORED ADVANCE, WHICH HEARS THERE ARE GERMANS BEFORE, BETWEEN, BESIDE AND BEHIND THE TANK COLUMNS. EVERYTHING IS ON THE MOVE, INCLUDING

THE DIVISION COMMAND POST.

THE WILDEST MELEES TOOK PLACE WHEN THE GERMANS, REALIZING A STEEL TRAP WAS CLOSING AROUND THEM IN THE RUHR, TRIED TO BREAK OUT WITH ARMORED TRAINS BUSHING FROM HAMM. THE SECOND ARMORED DIVISION

WITH ARMORED TRAINS RUSHING FROM HAMM. THE SECOND ARMORED DIVISION
SHOT UP THREE IN FIVE HOURS.
ONE OF THESE TRAINS, A DOUBLE-HEADER LOADED WITH TROOPS,
AMMUNITION AND GASOLINE ON TWENTY LARS WITH ONE-FLAK CAR AT EACH END
AND AN ARMORED CAR IN THE MIDDLE, BASHED THROUGH ANLEND,
AND AN ARMORED CAR IN THE ARTILLERY COMMAND POST, UNDER COL.C.J.
HITTON, TERRE HAUTE, IND., BEFORE THE SOLDIERS REALIZED THE GERMANS
WERE TRYING TO GET AWAY. MAJ.DONALD C.CUNNINGHAM, LINCOLN, NEB.,
MOTIFIED TWO BATTERIES OF 105 SELF-PROPELLED GUNS ON A CURVE A MILE
DOWN THE TRACKS. THE FIRST BATTERIES POURED ROUND AFTER ROUND INTO
THE TRAIM AND STARTED IT TO EXPLODING. ONE SHELL HIT THE COUPLING
CONNECTING THE TWO ENGINES WITH THE CARS AND THE DIGINES TOOK OFF AT
TOP SPEED, ONLY TO BE SHOT UP FARTHER ALONG THE LINE. THE TRAIN
BURNED THROUGH THE MIGHT.

ARTILLERYMEN WHO HELPED SHOOT UP TRAINS INCLUDED LT.EDWARD A.,
JUSSELY, WIGGINS, MISS.; LT.K.F.SECOR, TOLEDO,O.; SGT.GEORGE MARTIN,
SOUTH HILL, KY., AND SGT.ROBERT SHEPPARD, CRYSTAL, N.D.
AHLEM SURRENDERED WITHOUT FIRING A SHOT TO THE COMBAT COMMAND
UNDER COL, SIDNEY HINES, OF NASHVILLE, TENN.
ALONG WITN 3,000 GERMANS, FOUR AMERICAN AIRMEN AND TWO BRITISH
AIRBORNE MEN WOUNDED IN AN AIRBORNE OPERATION ON THE JUMPOFF ACROSS
THE RHINE WERE HOSPITALIZED THERE, ALL THE SIX WERE ABLE TO WALK
AND WHEN AMERICAN TROOPS CAME IN THEY RUSHED DOWNSTAIRS TO GREET THEM
AND WERE SHOWERED WITH GIFTS.

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THEY SAID THE CERMANS WERE ALMOST DEVOID OF TRANSPORT AND THAT ONE TREATED WELL BY GERMAN ARMY MEDICAL MEN WITH ONE EXCEPTION. A BURLINGTON, VT., LIBERATOR PILOT WOUNDED IN THE LEGS SAID HE WAS MADE TO WALK MUCH FARTHER THAN NECESSARY BY HIS GESTAPO GUARDS AND WAS REFUSED ANY DRINKING WATER.

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U.S. AIR FORCE HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, APRIL 3-(AP)-DARING ATTACKS ON SUPERIOR GERMAN AIR FORCES WON THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS FOR

LT. COL. JOHN A. BROOKS, GREENVILLE, OHIO, AND LT. COL. SIDNEY S.
WOODS, SOMERTON, ARIZ.
THE AWARDS WERE MADE TODAY BY GEN. CARL A. SPAKTZ, COMMANDER OF
THE U.S. STRATEGIC AIR FORCES.
BROOKS, WHO COMMANDS THE U.S. EIGHTH AIR FORCE'S SECOND DIVISION
SCOUTING FORCE, LED FOUR MUSTANGS AGAINST APPROXIMATELY 100 ME-109S NEAR DESSAU, GERMANY. DESPITE THE ODDS, HIS GROUP BROKE UP THE GERMAN FORMATION AND SHOT DOWN FOUR PLANS. BROOKS GOT TWO.

WOODS, AIR EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR THE FOURTH FIGHTER GROUP, "AN ATTACK ON A NUMERICALLY SUPERIOR HOSTILE FORCE BURING WHICH HE PERSONALLY DESTROYED FIVE ENEMY FIGHTERS," THE CITATION SAID.

A144. EINDHOVEN, HOLLAND, APRIL 3-(AP)-ALLIED TROOPS HAVE CAPTURED MENGELO, 19 MILES NORTHEAST OF ARNHEM, THE FREE NETHERLANDS RADIO SAID TODAY, HENGELO IS A DUTCH CITY OF 40,000 NEAR THE GERMAN FRONTIER WEST OF CAPTURED RHEINE. (EDS: MAY BE BRACKETED AND INSERTED IN PARIS WESTERN FRONT)

WITH BRITISH AIRBORNE TROOPS IN GERMANY, APRIL 3-(AP)-TANK-LED ASSAULT UNITS OF THE BRITISH SIXTH AIRBORNE DIVISION REACHED THE NORTHWEST EDGE OF OSNABRUECK LATE THIS AFTERNOON WHILE THE BRITISH 11TH ARMORED DIVISION THREATENED TO BYPASS THAT IMPORTANT COMMUNICATIONS HUB ON THE NORTH.

THE THRUST TO OSNABRUECK REPRESENTED A 10-MILE GAIN FOR THE AIRBORNE INFANTRYMEN WHO ADVANCED FROM LENGERICH OVER A HIGH RIDGE

OF THE TEUTOBERGER FOREST.

LENGERICH, CAPTURED LAST NIGHT WITH HARDLY A SHOT BEING FIRED, WAS A RARE SIGHT IN THE GERMAN BATTLE AREA. OVERWHELMED BY SOME AIRBORNE TROOPERS IN JEEPS, IT ESCAPED WITHOUT A TRACE OF BATTLE SCARS. WEST OF LENGERICH THE 11TH ARMORED'S COLUMNS WERE ROLLING FORWARD ON THE DORANTHE BRIDGE OVER THE DORTMUND-EMS CANAL BELOW IBBENBUEREN, THEN TURNING DOWN A ROAD THAT STILL WAS UNDER RIFLE FIRE, WHILE BRITISH ARTILLERY FOOMED FROM NEARBY FIEL

BY A.I.GOLDBERG (140)

WITH THE U.S. SEVENTH ARMY IN GERMANY, APRIL 3-(AP)-GERMAN RESISTANCE TO THE SEVENTH ARMY STIFFENED TODAY ALONG THE LINE BETWEEN OCHSENFURT AND BAD MERGENTHEIM AS THE ENEMY SOUGHT TO PREVENT ACCESS TO A PLAIN ON WHICH AMERICAN ARMOR COULD ROLL INTO NUERNBERG.

THE GERMANS IN THIS AREA MUSTERED KRIEGSCHULE SOLDIERS -- YOUTHS WHO HAD TRAINED FOR OFFICER RANK AND WHO HAD USED THIS SECTOR AS A TRAINING GROUND.

BESIDES SHOWING FANATICAL ZEAL, THEY KNOW THE TERRAIN AND HAVE USED THIS KNOWLEDGE TO GIVE THE AMERICANS TROUBLE.

HITLER YOUTH BANDS ALSO ARE REPORTED BEING ORGANIZED IN THIS AREA.

HOWEVER, THERE ARE OTHER REPORTS THAT VILLAGERS OF THIS SECTION,

WHICH HAS NOT FELT THE IMPACT OF WAR IN CENTURIES, ARE PROVING HOSTILE TO THE GERMAN SOLDIERS WHO HAVE BEEN TURNING THEIR TOWNS AND FARM LANDS INTO DEFENSE POSITIONS.

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NIGHT LEAD KASSEL (260)

BY EDWARD D.BALL KASSEL, GERMANY, APRIL 3-(AP)-AMERICAN DOUGHBOYS SLUGGED THEIR WAY HOUSE BY HOUSE TODAY THROUGH THE GREAT GERMAN MANUFACTURING CITY OF

KASSEL.
INFANTRYMEN OF THE BOTH DIVISION WERE ASSIGNED TO CLEAN OUT
THIS BIG TANK AND PLANE CENTER WHOSE CITIZENS DAILY HAVE BEEN GOING
TO THEIR ASSIGNED TASKS IN THE VAST UNDERGROUND FACTORIES DESPITE
THE ROARING TANK AND ARTILLERY BATTLES ON THE STREET LEVEL.
CAPITAL OF HESSE-NASSAU PROVINCE AND WITH A POPULATION OF NEARLY
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225,000, KASSEL CONTINUED TO FIGHT ON AFTER GEN. GEORGE S.PATTON'S
THIRD ARMY SPEARHEADS HAD SWUNG FAR TO THE EAST OF IT. WHILE TANKS
THIRD ARMY SPEARHEADS HAD SWUNG FAR TO THE EAST OF IT. WHILE TANKS
CIRCLED THE CITY AND ATTACKED FROM THE NORTHEAST, THE DOUGHBOYS TRAMPED

UX 155PEW

FROM THE CITY'S HEART CAME SOUNDS OF TREMENDOUS EXPLOSIONS, INDICATING THE GERMANS WERE BLOWING UP MILITARY INSTALLATIONS PREPARA-TORY TO SURRENDER.

HOWEVER, THE ENEMY CONTINUED TO BATTLE, SENDING FORTH A COLUMN OF TANKS FRESH OFF THE ASSEMBLY LINE AND MANNED BY BRASH YOUNG NAZIS. THE AMERICANS, ADVANCING UP THE CITY'S MAIN STREET, KNOCKED OUT SIX OF THE TANKS BEFORE THE ENEMY WITHDREW.

A SPRAWLING FACTORY, PRODUCING HEINKEL PLANES, WAS CAPTURED TODAY.
IT HAD VAST UNDERGROUND WORKINGS AND ABOVE GROUND WAS EXPERTLY CAMOU-FLAGED.

ANOTHER BIG HAUL WAS A FIVE-STORY CONCRETE WAREHOUSE IN THE SOUTHERN SUBURBS CONTAINING MANY TONS OF FOODSTUFFS. THOUSANDS OF CASES OF EVERYTHING FROM SACCHARINE TO PORTUGUESE SARDINES WERE STORED ABOVE AND BELOW GROUND ALONG WITH THOUSANDS OF CASES OF CHAMPAGNE, COGNAC, WINE AND ELEGANT CHEESES.

AT THE TIME THE SOLDIERS DISCOVERED ALL THESE DELICACIES

WHICH THE NAZIS HAD HIDDEN, HUNGRY CIVILIANS AND NEWLY LIBERATED SLAVE LABORERS WERE SWARMING UPON CARLOADS OF HALF-ROTTED APPLES IN THE RAILROAD YARDS.

"ALL WE COULD DO WAS SIT BACK AND WATCH THOSE TANKS GO BY."

SAID SGT. ROBERT MURRELL OF LOUISVILLE, KY., REFERRING TO THE NEW TANKS. "ONE TIGER CAME WITHIN 50 YARDS. HE LOOKED AT ME AND I LOOKED TRIBUTED.

AT HIM. I WAS READY TO MEET MY MAKER BUT HE KEP, GOING."

THEY WEREN'T LOOKING FOR US, "ADDED PVT. WILLIAM WEBB, OF BAKER,

ORE. "THEY WERE AFTER OUR TANKS FARTHER

BACK-THAT'S THE REASON THEY WERE BEING SO CHOSY."

RP/MD11528 DW MILES FROM BERLIN WAS FALLING TODAY TO THIRD ARMY INFANTRY OF THE BOTH DIVISION WHICH WAS FIGHTING FORWARD HOUSE-BY-HOUSE AND STREET-

BY-STREET. THE GERMANS WERE FIGHTING DESPERATELY TO HOLD KASSEL, CAPITAL OF THE HESSEN-NASSAU PROVINCE WITH A POPULATION OF NEARLY 225,000. KASSEL TANK AND AIRPLANE FACTORIES KEPT OPERATING EVEN AFTER THEY

CAME UNDER FIRE FROM OUR GUNS.

BUT THE AMERICANS SMASHED THE CITY'S PERIMETER DEFENSES AFTER A
THREE-DAY BATTLE AND BEGAN MOVING IN THIS MORNING WHILE TANKS RACED
AROUND FROM THE SOUTHWEST AND ATTA KED FROM THE NORTHEAST.

SHORTLY BEFORE NOON TREMENDOUS EXPLOSIONS COMING FROM THE HEART
OF THE CITY INDICATED THE GERMANS WERE BLOWING UP MILITARY INSTALLATION FREPARATORY TO GIVING UP THE FIGHT.

PREPARATORY TO GIVING UP THE FIGHT.

WHILE THE SOTH DIVISION'S MEN WERE CRASHING THROUGH KASSEL'S OUTER DEFENSES YESTERDAY A COLUMN OF 28 GERMAN TANKS FRESH OFF THE ASSEMBLY LINE CHARGED THROUGH DOUGHBOYS IN THE SOUTHERN SUBURB OF ZWEHREN AND KNOCKED OUT SOME AMERICAN TANKS AND TANK DESTROYERS BEFORE THEY WERE CHASED BACK INTO TOWN.

SIX OF THE ENEMY TANKS, INCLUDING FOUR PANTHERS, WERE WRECKED.

THE PAINT ON THE TANKS, PRODUCED AT THE HENSCHEL LOCOMOTIVE WORKS,

WAS HARDLY DRY. THEIR SPEEDOMETERS REGISTERED JUST 15 MILES-THE

DISTANCE THEY TOOK ON THEIR CIRCUITIOUS ROUTE FROM THE FACTOR TO THE

PLACE WHERE THEY WERE STOPPED.

WITH THE U.S. SEVENTH ARMY, APRIL 3-(AP)-FOUR MORE HOSPITALS CON-TAINING AMERICAN AND ALLIED PATIENTS WERE OVERRUN IN WIESLOCH SOUTH OF HEIDELBERG TODAY AND THE PATIENTS WERE LIBERATED.

THE HOSPITALS INCLUDED ONE OF 1,500 BEDS WHICH HOUSED 400 GERMAN CIVILIANS SUFFERING NERVOUS DISORDERS AS A RESULT OF THE REPEATED AIRRAIDS ON MANNHEIM.

AT THE FAR NORTHERN END OF THE SEVENTH ARMY'S LINE, WHERE THE 114TH REGIMENT OF THE 106TH CAVALRY GROUP LIBERATED 6,500 ALLIED PRISONERS YESTERDAY, FOOD, CLOTHING AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES WERE DIS-

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MAPPER

PARIS, APRIL 3 -- (AP) -- THIS IS THE ALLIED LINE ON THE

WESTERN FRONT, AS TRACED AROUND THE DEEPEST PUBLISHABLE POINTS OF PENETRATION ON THE BROAD, FLUID FRONT:

FROM WESTERN HOLLAND FOLLOW THE MAAS R IVER EAST TO A POINT

FIVE MILES WEST OF NIMEGEN, THE SWING NORTH TO THE LINE OF THE

IJSSEL RIVER ABOUT 15 MILES INSIDE HOLLAND, THEN EASTWARD TO TERBORG,

FROM THE RE MOVE NORTHEAST W TO ENSCHEDE, RHEINE, IBBENBUREN

AND LENGERICH, BACK WHEN ABRUPTLY SOUTHWEST TO A POINT BETWEEN DUELMEN AND MUENSTER, THEN EAST W TOWN PADERBORN.

AT PADE BORN THE LINE TURNES SCUTH TO POINTS SEVEN MILES
NORTH AND SIX MILES NORTHEAST OF WARBURG, ON TO KASSEL ANDSOUTH ABOUT
10 MILES ALONG THE FULDA RIVER.

THEN SWING EAST FO THEWWIND WEHRE RIVER, 20 MILES EAST OF WIS SPANGENBURG, SOUTHEAST TO A POINT JUST ACROSS THE WERRA RIVER THREE MILE WEST OF EISENACH. FROM THERE FOLLOW THE WERRA GENERALLY SOUTH TO A POINT TWO MILES NORTH OF MENGINEN, THEN BACK SOUTHWEST TO WIRTHEIM, 17 MILES WORTH OF ASCHAFFENBURG.

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RIVER AT WUE RZBURG, AND FOLLOW THE MAIN SOUTHEAST TO OCHSENFURT.

THEN DOUBLE BACK SOUTHWEST TO THE NECKAR RIVER AT APPINT ROUGHLY 20 MILES

SOUTHEAST OF HEIDELBERG, AND CONTINUE SOUTHWEST TO THE RHINE, 12 MILES

MORTH OF KARLSRUHE. THE FRONT FOLLOWS THE RHINE FROM THAT

POINT SOUTH TO THE SWISS BORDER.

THE FRONT IS FULL OF ENEMY SALIENTS AND POCKETS OF LARGEST OF WHICH IS THE WHE RECENTLY CLOSED RING AROUND THE RUHR AND THE

FROM SIEGENTO BONN AND ON THE WEST W BY THE RHINE FROM BONN TO

DUISBURG. FROM THE DUISBURG-EMS CANAL NORTH F DORTHWAND THEN CURVE

NORTH AND EAST BETWEEN HAMM AND AHLEN TO LIPPESTADT. THE WEST SIDE

OF THE P OCKET FROM LIPPSTADT TO SIEGEN IS MARKED GENERALLY BY ALTENBUREN,

WINTERBOURG AND BERLBURG.

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APL BEA LMEARS THROUGH SEC ND 0148 MN/235P

"Blits Maedchen," the german equivalent of the WACs, were captured today: the battle for Kassel. The german girls, natty in dark blue uniforms, we chiefly as clerks, but some said they had on occasion served antiaircraft

GERMAN JET-PROPELLED PLANES WERE CAPTURED INTACT TODAY BY
TROOPS OF THE SEVENTH ARMY'S 21ST CORPS SPEARING PAST TEUCKELHEUSEN,

FIFTEEN OTHER PLANES WERE FOUND ON ANOTHER CAPTURED

AIRFIELD.

WITH THE WWW BRITISH SECOND ARMY, APRIL 3-- (AP)--SPEARHEAD

OF THE BRITISH SECOND ARMY ADVANCED TODAY TO WITHIN FIVE MILES OF

THE BIG INDUSTRIAL CITY OF OSNABRUECK, 65 MILES SOUTHWEST OF BREMEN.

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WITH THE BRITISH SECOND ARMY -- FIRST ADD OSNABRUECK ADVANCE

(BY WILLIAM S. FRYE) X X X OF BREMEN.

THE BRITISH CAPTURED LENGERICH AND TECKLENBURG, THE FEBRURG

ABOUT NINE MILES SOUTHWEST OF OSNABRUECK, THEN PLUNGED FORWARD. WI

APL 1-0950 MB/533A

BY DON WHITEHEAD WITH U.S. FIRST ARMY, APRIL 3-(AP)-LT.GEN. COURTNEY H. HODGES BEAT DESPERATE NAZIS IN THE RUHR TRAP TO THE PUNCH BY JUST 24 HOURS AND HAS BLOCKED A MAJOR DRIVE INTENDED TO RIP AN ESCAPE GAP THROUGH

FIRST ARMY LINES TO THE EAST.

HE THREW HIS ARMOR AND INFANTRY ACROSS THE PATH OF THE GERMANS
IN THE WINTERBERG AREA JUST AS THEY WERE HITTING TO THE EAST IN FORCE
IN THE BEGINNING OF A MOVE TO CUT OFF SPEARHEADING ELEMENTS OF
AMERICAN ARMOR FROM THE INFANTRY AND DISRUPT THE ENTIRE FIRST ARMY
OFFENSIVE FROM THE RHINE.

THE GERMAN THRUST WAS SHATTERED. THE ALLIED RING WAS TIGHTENED
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ABOUT THE GREAT INDUSTRIAL AREA, IN WHICH TENS OF THOUSANDS OF ENEMY

TROOPS ARE CAUGHT.

MAJ. GEN. LOUIS CRAIG'S NINTH INFANTRY DIVISION MOVED INTO THE LINE
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TWO DAYS AGO AND BEAT BACK THE FIRST THRUSTS FROM THE RUHR, BLOCKING
THE ENEMY'S EFFORTS TO SEIZE THE KUSTELBERG-MEDEBACH AND WINTERBERGHALLENBERG ROAD NETWORK.

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ONE GERMAN PRISONER OF A PANZER OUTFIT, STILL COCKY, WAS ASKED IF HE HAD KNOWN HIS UNIT WAS SURROUNDED AND THERE WAS NO ESCAPE.

"WE KNEW WE WERE SURROUNDED," HE REPLIED, "BUT WE HAVE BEEN SURROUNDED BEFORE AND FOUGHT OUR WAY OUT."

FRONT LINE OFFICERS ARE EXPECTING ANOTHER ESCAPE DRIVE BY THE CERMANS, BUT WHEN OR WHERE IT WILL HIT STILL IS A MATTER FOR CONJECTURE. HOWEVER, FIRST AND NINTH ARMY LINES ARE BECOMING STRONGER BY THE HOUR AS THE INFANTRY CONSOLIDATES THE GAINS AND THROWS UP ROADBLOCKS ACROSS THE HIGHWAYS WINDING THROUGH THE ROLLING, WOODED

COUNTRY.

HUNDREDS OF GERMAN SOLDIERS ARE TAKING OFF THEIR UNIFORMS AND
DONNING CIVILIAN CLOTHING, AND ARE TRYING TO MAKE THEIR WAY OUT OF THE
TRAP TO AN ASSEMBLY POINT. EACH CARRIES A CIVILIAN PASS. THEY MINGLE
WITH HUNDREDS OF GERMAN CIVILIANS AND LIBERATED SLAVE LABORERS WANDERING ABOUT.

INTELLIGENCE OFFICERS ARE SCREENING EVERY MALE FROM 15 TO 60, AND IN ONE DIVISION ABOUT 50 PER CENT OF THOSE CHECKED WERE DISCLOSED TO HAVE BEEN SOLDIERS IN CIVILIAN CLOTHES. THEY WERE TAKEN TO PRISONER-OF-WAR CAGES.

AMONG THE 4,821 PRISONERS TAKEN BY THE FIRST ARMY YESTERDAY WAS ONE WHO BELONGED TO AN SS (ELITE GUARD) COMPANY WHICH HAD ASSASSINATED CAPTURED AMERICANS IN A SNOW-COVERED FIELD NEAR HALMEDY, BELGIUM, DURING THE GERMAN ARDENNES COUNTEROFFENSIVE LAST DECEMBER.

WHEN AN INTELLIGENCE OFFICER DISCOVERED THAT THE MAN HAD BELONGED TO THAT UNIT. THE GERMAN LIEUTENANT HASTILY PRODUCED A CERTIFICATE PURPORTING TO SHOW THAT HE WAS IN A LEADERSHIP TRAINING SCHOOL DURING THAT BATTLE. THE PRISONER SAID HE HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH THOSE MURDERS. ON THE CONTRARY, HE PROTESTED, HE HAD HEARD OF HIS UNIT'S ACTION AND WAS SHOCKED. ACTION AND WAS SHOCKED. BZ255PEW

CERMAN RECONNAISSANCE UNITS WERE DRIVEN BACK IN THE FIGHTING AROUND WINTERBERG, WHICH IS NOW IN AMERICAN HANDS. BUT THE INDICATIONS ARE THAT ANOTHER STRONG EFFORT WILL BE HADE BY THE GERMANS TO CRACK THE VISL OF COMPTON, CALIF. WE WERE NOT HORE THAN 24 HOURS AREAD WHEN THE ATTACK CAME. WE HAD BARELY MOVED INTO POSITION WHEN THE GERMANS MADE THEIR FELLER THRUSTS, TRYING TO FIND A SOFT SPOT.

IN THE HILLS AROUND WHITERBERG THERE STILL IS FIGHTING, BUT THE NINTH INFANTRY MAS HOW TAKEN THE INITIATIVE AND IS ON THE MOVE FORWARD. HEANTIME OTHER HEFANTRY UNITS CAPTURED SIEGEN, ON THE SIEG RIVER, AND HADE OTHER ADVANCES TO THE NORTH, CLOSING IN ON THE RUHR.

TVENTY MESSERSCHMITT-109S AND FOCKEVULF-190S ATTACKED THUNDERBOLTS

ESCORTING MEDIUM BOMBERS IN THE SKIRMISH MEAR VERONA.

CAPT. FRANK V. MECKHAM, 1301 NORTH 12TH ST., QUINCY, ILL., SHOT

DOWN THREE MESSERSCHMITTS AND LT. EDWARD OLSON, 927 MAYS AVE., OAK

PARK, ILL., AND LT. ROBERT B. TAYLOR, ANGLETON, TEX., SHOT BOWN ONE

APIECE. LT. JOHN V. WILSON, 2706 YOTH ST., VICTITA FALLS, TEX., AND

LT. RODNET IS BRANDSTROM, 326 11TH AVE., SEATTLE, DIVIDED ONE BETWEEN

AFTER THE BRIDGE RAIDS, MAJ. CHARLES E-GILBERT OF HAMPDON HIGHLANDS, ME., SPOTTED A FORMATION OF MORE THAN 15 ENEMY FIGHTERS PREPARING TO ATTACK A FLICHT OF MITCHELL BOMBERS AND ANOTHER SIX PLANES PREPARING TO LAND AT AN AIRDROME.

GILBERT SHOT DOWN TWO MESSERSCHMITTS. LT.RICHARD P.SULZBACK, 170 REBECCA ST., SIOUX CITY, IA., DESTROYED TWO OTHERS AND LT. CHARLES C.EDDY, JR., 5831 ACACIA AVE., CAKLAND, CALIF., AND LT. HOWARD L.BARTON, WISCONSIN RAPIDS, WIS., EACH SNOT DOWN ONE.

THREE ME-1095 ATTACKED TWO THUNDERBOLTS IN ANOTHER ENCOUNTER IN THE SAME AREA. THE AMERICAN PILOTS, LT.BARWIN G.BROOKS OF BOONE, IA., AND LT.HORACE W.BLAKNEY OF 120 WEST ST., DULUTH, MINN., SHARED ONE, MESSERSCHMITT BETWEEN THEM AND DAMAGED ANOTHER.

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ROME, APRIL 3-(AP)-EIGHTH ARMY FORCES HAVE LANDED BEHIND THE GERMAN LINES ON THE NARROW STRIP OF LAND BETWEEN THE VALLI DI COMACCHIO AND THE ADRIATIC AND HAVE CAPTURED MORE THAN 200 OF THE ENEMY, ALLIED HEADQUARTERS ANNOUNCED TODAY.

THE ACTION WAS OFFICIALLY DESCRIBED AS A "SUCCESSFUL LOCAL OPERATION." IT COMPRISED A THREE-PRONGED THRUST UP THE SPIT OF LAND SEPARATING THE COMACCHIO LAGOON FROM THE SEA. LANDINGS WERE MADE BETWEEN THE SEA AND THE PO DI PRIMARO RIVER AND ON THE EASTERN SHORE OF THE LAGOON ITSELF.

"OUR TROOPS CLEARED GERMAN DEFENSIVE POSITIONS HALF WAY UP THE SPIT UNDER CONSIDERABLE SHELL FIRE AND CAPTURED A SMALL ISLAND IN THE PO DI PRIMARO IN THIS AREA," THE OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT SAID.

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ROME, APRIL 3-(AP)-ITALIAN TREASURY MILER MARCELLO SOLERI,
DESCRIBING ITALY'S MONETARY SITUATION AS ADOUBTEDLY DELICATE,
SAID TODAY THAT MONEY IN CIRCULATION, INCLUDING GERMAN-HELD AREAS,
EXCEEDED 300,000,000,000 LIRE (\$3,000,000,000 AT THE OFFICIAL EXCHANGE
RATE).
THIS, HE SAID AT A PRESS CONFERENCE, WAS ABOUT DOUBLE THE CIRCULATION
OF ONE YEAR AGO AND INCLUDED 52,000,000,000 LIRE (\$520,000,000)
ISSUED BY ALLIED MILITARY AUTHORITIES UP TO THE END OF 1944.
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THE LAUSANNE GAZETTE COMMENTED THAT GERMAN RESISTANCE AFTER THE ARMED FORCES ARE BROKEN IS IMPROBABLE BECAUSE THE POPULATION "DEEPLY DISCOURAGED, HAS PASSED THE POINT WHERE IT WILL BE CAPABLE OF AN ACT OF HIGH ENERGY; ITS WILL TO RESISTANCE WILL TUMBLE WITH THE DEBACLE OF THE ARMIES."

(THE ALLIED REACTION TO THE WEREWOLVES "IS VERY SIMPLE," SAID
A LUXEMBOURG RADIO BROADCAST. "ANYONE WHO FOLLOWS SUCH INSTRUCTIONS
WILL BE CAPTURED, TRIED, JUDGED AND SHOT.")

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STOCICHOLM, APRIL 3-(AP) THE-THO AMERICAN BOMBERS

CARRYING 12 FLIERS MOMENT MADE FORCED LANDINGS AT THE MALMOE AIRPORT

TODAY, IT WAS ANNOUNCED OFFICIALLY.

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SOFIA, BULGARIA, APRIL 3-(AP)-ALEXANDER BELEFF, FORMER

COMMISSAR OF BULGARIAN JEWISH AFFAIRS AND TAGGED AS AN ANTI-SEMITE,

WAS SENTENCED TO DEATH TODAY BY A PEOPLE'S COURT. FIFTY-TWO

(THE SPECIFIC CHARGE AGAINST BELEFF WAS NOT MENTIONED IN THIS DISPATCH.

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Lisbon, April 3-(AP)-The Pt. cug.

m which will meet within a month, will deriver "revise and reform the

constitution three years ahead of schedule," the national union paper

Diario Manha said today.

(In london this report was believed to indicate the

portugal might consider declaring war against Japan during the assembly

session.)

The next changes are not due until 1948.

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(950) THE TEXT OF THE MOSCOW BROADCAST, QUOTING PRAVDA ON THE

SAN FRANCISCO CONFERENCES "THE PEOPLES OF THE WORLD ARE GETTING READY FOR THE SAN FRANCISCO CONFERENCE. THE CALLING TOGETHER OF THE CONFERENCE HAPPENS AT THE RIGHT TIME FROM EVERY POINT OF VIEW.

"THE CONFERENCE WILL TAKE PLACE."

FEW WEEKS UP TO THEN MAY MEAN A WHOLE EPOCH UNDER PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES. THE ARMIES OF THE UNITED STATES HAVE CROSSED TWO OF THE GREATEST

OTHER PERSONS WERE SENTENCED TO PRISON TERMS RANGING FROM LIFE TO ONE YEAR RIVERS & WERMANY. THE RED ARMY HAS CROSSED THE ODER AND IS CONTINCTORS HAVE CROSSED THE RHINE AND ARE PRESSING INTO GERMANY FROM WEST TO EAST. ONCE UPON A TIME KIPLING WROTE: 'WEST IS WEST AND EAST IS EAST AND NEVER THE TWIN SHALL MEET.' ALTHOUGH THE WEST REMAINS WEST AND

EAST REMAINS EAST, WEST AND EAST ARE MEETING IN FRONT OF OUR VERY

EYES. THE SCENE OF THIS RENOWNED MEETING WILL BE BERLIN.
THE GERMANS ARE TRYING TO POSTPONE THE END OF THE WAR.

THE SAN FRANCISCO CONFERENCE IS AN ANSWER TO THIS. THE CONFERENCE WILL MEET DESPITE THE THOUSANDS OF INTRIGUES AND MACHINATIONS OF THE GERMAN FASCISTS AND ADVOCATES IN THEIR DEFENSE, AND IT APPLIED THE ARE PEOPLE WHO TRY TO ILLUMINATE EVERY NEW PHENOMENON WITH 1945 THE LIGHT OF AN OLD HISTORIC EXAMPLE. THESE PEOPLE SEE A NEW VERSION OS THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS IN THE SAN FRANCISCO CONFERENCE, AND FOR THIS VERY REASON ARE BEGINNING TO PLAY OLD RECORD ON THEIR GRAMOPHONES AND STRIKE UP SENTIMENTAL THREE ABOUT THE SMALL COUNTRIES. WHICH AND STRIKE UP SENTIMENTAL TUNES ABOUT THE SMALL COUNTRIES, WHICH THEY ALLEGE WILL HAVE TO SING IN TUNE WITH THE GREAT POWERS, THE POWERS THAT DEFEATED GERMANY.

WE HAVE HEARD MANY SUCH CONCERTS FROM GENEVA. POLITICAL EUNUCHS WANTED TO SING IN A SONOROUS BASS VOICE, BUT JUST BECAUSE THEY WERE EUNUCHS THEIR VOICES BROKE AND THEY SANG OUT OF TUNE. THE GERMAN FASCISTS PREPARED FOR A NEW WORLD WAR TO THE MELODY OF SUCH SERENADES.

THE SAN FRANCISCO CONFERENCE HAS NOTHING IN COMMON WITH THE LEAGUE

THE SAN FRANCISCO CONFERENCE HAS NOTHING IN COMMON WITH THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS. THIS CONFERENCE DOES NOT REPEAT THE PAST, BUT OPENS A NEW CHAPTER IN WORLD HISTORY.

STALIN SAID THE FOLLOWING ABOUT THE NEW INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION: 'THIS ORGANIZATION MUST" NOT BE A REPETITION OF THE ILL-STARRED LEAGUE OF NATIONS WHICH HAD NEITHER THE RIGHT NOR THE MEANS TO AVERT AGGRESSION. IT WILL BE A NEW, SPECIAL, FULLY AUTHORIZED WORLD ORGANIZATION HAVING IN ITS COMMAND EVERYTHING NECESSARY TO UPHOLD THE PEACE AND EVERT NEW AGGRESSION.'

IT IS A SIGNIFICANT FACT THAT THE CONFERENCE THAT PRECEDES THE FORMATION OF THE NEW INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION WILL MEET IN THE UNITED STATES. THIS IS PROOF OF THE DEFEAT OF UNITED STATES ISOLATIONISM. THIS ISOLATIONISM WAS ONE OF THE REASONS OF THE
WEAKNESS OF THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS. THE UNITED STATES ARE NOW
Portuguese law requires constitutional revision every ten years NOT ONLY PARTICIPATING IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL PEACE
ORGANIZATION BUT ARE AMONGST THE POWERS THAT ARE CONVENING THE
CONFERENCE, WHICH MEANS THAT THEY SHARE IN THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR PEACE.

ANOTHER SIGNIFICANT FACT IS THAT ANOTHER ORGANISING AND INVITING COUNTRY IS THE U.S.S.R. THIS COUNTRY NEVER SUFFERED FROM ISOLATIONISM. THE SITUATION WAS THAT OTHERS WANTED TO ISOLATE IT.

THERE WAS A TIME WHEN SOME PEOPLE WANTED TO ORGANISE THE WORLD WITHOUT A STRONG SOVIET STATE. WHAT IS MORE THEY WANTED TO OR-GANIZE THE WORLD AGAINST SOVIET STATE. IN OTHER WORDS THIS MEANS THAT THEY WANTED TO ORGANIZE WAR.

"HITLER'S GERMANY REALIZED THIS CRIMINAL AMBITION BY HER OWN METHODS. BUT HITLER WAS RUDELY DISAPPOINTED. HE DID NOT COUNT

ON THE STRENGTH OF THE SOVIET PEOPLE.

"THIS ALSO WAS THE FATAL SHORTCOMING OF THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS. THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS WAS BASED NOT ON REALISTIC CONDITIONS, BUT ON ITS OWN DESIRES AND AMBITIONS.

"THE SAN FRANCISCO CONFERENCE IS BASED ABOVE ALL ON REALISTIC

CONDITIONS. ITS INITIATING POWERS ARE THE STRONGEST STATES OF THE WORLD: THE U.S.S.R., THE UNITED STATES AND GREAT BRITAIN. THESE
STATES UNITED IN WAR AGAINST THE FASCIST BLOC. THEIR COALITION
STOOD EVERY TEST, AT THE TIME OF REVERSES AS WELL AS IN THE PERIOD
OF VICOTRIES. THE BASIS OF THE ANGLO-UNITED STATES-SOVIET COALITION
IS FORMED BY THE MOST IMPORTANT LIFE INTERESTS OF THREE STATES, AND
THESE INTERESTS DEMAND A DURABLE AND SOLID PEACE.

"THE EXPERIENCE OF THE SECOND WORLD WAR HAS PROVED THAT WEAK
PEOPLES. DEFENDED BY NOTHING BUT REQUITIFIED WORDS AND PROCESTINATED

PEOPLES, DEFENDED BY NOTHING BUT BEAUTIFUL WORDS AND PROCRASTINATED TREATIES, ARE ALWAYS THE FIRST VICTIMS OF AGGRESSION. NOTHING BUT

TREATIES, ARE ALWAYS THE FIRST VICTIMS OF AGGRESSION. NOTHING BUT FORCE PERMEATED BY THE IDEALS OF DEMOCRACY CAN DEFEND THESE PEOPLE. ONLY SUCH FORCE CAN GUARANTEE THE FREEDOM AND INDEPENDENCE OF SUCH PEOPLE.

"IT IS NOW NO LONGER NECESSARY TO PROVE TO THE PEOPLES OF POLAND, CZECHOSLOVAKIA, YUGOSLAVIA, FINLAND, ROMANIA AND HUNGARY THAT THEIR FREEDOM AND SECURITY DEPEND UPON THEIR FRIENDLY ASSOCIATION WITH THE U.S.S.R. BECAUSE IT WAS THE STRENGTH OF THE SOVIET UNION THAT RESCUED THESE PEOPLES FROM THE FASCIST INVADERS.

"IT IS CLEAR THAT IF THE STRONGEST STATES OF THE WORLD FIND A COMMON PLATFORM FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE PEACE THERE WILL BE PEACE ON EARTH. IF THIS COMMON PLATFORM IS NOT FOUND, NO CLAUSE IN THE CONSTITUTION OF ANY ORGANIZATION WHATEVER WILL HELP.

"IN CONNECTION WITH THIS STALIN CLEARLY SAID: "CAN WE COUNT ON IT THAT THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION WILL FUNCTION EFFECTIVELY ENOUGH?

IT THAT THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION WILL FUNCTION EFFECTIVELY ENOUGH? IT WILL BE EFFECTIVE IF THE GREAT POWERS THAT BORE THE GREATEST BURDEN OF WAR AGAINST HITLER'S GERMANY CONTINUE TO DEAL IN A SPIRIT OF UNDERSTANDING AND HARMONY. IT WILL HAVE NO RESULTS IF THEY OFFEND AGAINST THIS ESSENTIAL CONDITION. THE CRIMEAN CONFERENCE WAS AN EXAMPLE OF UNITY AND UNDERSTANDING.

THE BASIS OF THE INTERNATIONAL SECURITY ORGANIZATION IS PERMEATED BY THE SAME SPIRIT. THE POSSIBILITIES OF THE EFFECTIVE FUNCTINING OF THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION ARE AT HAND. THE CONFERENCE CAN BEGIN ITS WORK IN A FAVORABLE ATMOSPHERE.

THE CONCERTED STRATEGY OF THE ALLIES IS BRINGING GREAT RESULTS ON THE BATTLEFIELDS. WE CAN HOPE THAT THIS HARMONY WILL BRING SIMILAR RESULTS ON THE FIELD OF DIPLOMACY TOO.

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KEPT GOING.

THE HARTAL HAD THE TACIT ENDORSEMENT OF GANDHI, WHO URGED NON-VIOLENCE. PRAYER MEETINGS WERE SCHEDULED TONIGHT IN THE CAMPAIGN FOR COMMUTING THE DEATH SENTENCES TO LIFE IMPRISONMENT.

CHUNGKING, APRIL 3-(AP)-DON BELL, MUTUAL BROADCASTING SYSTEM CORRESPONDENT, ARRIVED HERE TODAY AFTER SURVIVING THE CRASH OF A PHILIPPINES-BASED U.S. MAVAL PATROL BOMBER SHOT DOWN BY THE JAPANESE PHILIPPINES-BASED U.S. MAVAL PAIRUL BONDER SHOW THE CHINA COAST.

BELL, ONCE INTERNED IN THE PHILIPPINES BY THE JAPANESE, WAS TRAVELING WITH A PATROL AND BONDING HISSION WHEN JAPANESE SHELL FIRE STRUCK THE SHIP. IT CRASHED IN FLAMES INTO THE CHINA SEA. SII OF THE CREW DISAPPEARED, BUT THE OTHER SIX AND BELL REACHED SAFETY, PADDLING ASHORE UNDER FIRE IN A RUBBER BOAT.

TWO JAPANESE PLANES HADE AN UNSUCCESSIVE ATTEMPT TO LOCATE THEM.

BELL HAD SPENT 37 HONTHS IN THE SAMTO TOMAS INTERNMENT CAMP IN MANILA. HIS WIFE AND TWO CHILDREN, WHO WERE WITH HIM DURING THE INTERNMENT, NOW ARE BOUND FOR THE UNITED STATES. BELL'S NOME IS IN MUTCHINSON, KANS.

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CHUNGEING APRIL 3-(AP)-TWO MEMBERS OF THE WORLD-TOURING COMMITTEE OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF NEWSPAPER EDITORS—VILLUE TOOREST OF THE NEW YORK MERALD TRIBUNE AND RALPH MCGILL OF THE ATLANTA CONSTITUTION—LEFT CHUNCEING TOOAY FOR INDIA. WEEK THERE BEFORE RETURNING TO THE UNITED STATES VIA AUSTRALIA. OF THE COMMITTEE, DEAN CARL ACKERNAN OF THE COLUMN THE THIRD MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE, DEAN CARL ACKERNAN OF THE COLUMN THE THE THE DAYS AND THEN CATCH UP WITH THE OTHERS.

EKZ555AEV FOUR NIGHT LEAD OKINAWA (280)

BY MORRIE LANDSBERG

GUAM, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4-(AP)-MARINES AND INFANTRYMEN, STILL

FINDING NEGLIGIBLE OPPOSITION, DROVE ANOTHER WEDGE ACROSS OKINAWA

YESTERDAY TO TAKE FIRM CONTROL OF THAT STRATEGIC RYUKYU ISLAND'S

SOUTH-CENTRAL SECTION IN A FOUR-DAY-OLD INVASION WHICH ONE GENERAL

SAID WAS PROGRESSING "FAR BETTER THAN OUR WILDEST DREAMS."

MAJ. GEN. ARCHIBALD V. ARNOLD'S VETERAN SEVENTH ARMY DIVISION WAS MENTIONED TODAY FOR THE FIRST TIME AS IN ACTION ON THE

ON THE SOUTHERN FLANK THE AMERICANS WERE ONLY SIX MILES FROM THE TOWN OF NAHA, PRINCIPAL CITY OF THE RYUKYUS, WITH A POPULATION OF 66,000. NEARBY IS ONE OF THE BEST AIRDROMES IN THE ENTIRE CHAIN.

IN THE NORTH THE MARINES WERE CROSSING ALL KINDS OF DIFFICULT TERRAIN, SLOWED MORE BY HILLS AND DUSTY ROADS THAN BY JAPANESE

HEADQUARTERS OFFICERS SAID THE ADVANCE WAS SO SPEEDY AND THE SITUATION SO FLUID THEY WERE UNABLE TO PLOT POSITIONS ACCURATELY ON THEIR MAPS.

OPPOSITION TO THE YANKS WAS CONFUSED BECAUSE OF THE RAPIDITY OF THEIR ADVANCE, BUT FIELD OFFICERS SAID THE HOUR PROBABLY WAS NEARING WHEN THE ESTIMATED 60,000 OR MORE JAPANESE ON THE ISLAND COULD BE EXPECTED TO PUT UP A STAND.

YESTERDAY'S SWEEPING ADVANCE OVERRAN SCORES OF LITTLE TOWNS AND ENGULFED HUNDREDS MORE CIVILIANS, BUT STILL THERE WAS NO MENTION

OF TAKING JAPANESE PRISONERS.

THE SEVENTH DIVISION YANKS, MANY OF WHOM ARE CALIFORNIANS, ARE VETERANS OF HEAVY FIGHTING FROM THE ALEUTIANS TO THE PHILIPPINES. ON OKINAWA THEY ARE BATTLING ALONGSIDE THEIR COMPANIONS OF THE BLOODY LEYTE CAMPAIGN IN THE PHILIPPINES, MAJ.GEN.ANDREW D.BRUCE'S 77TH (NEW YORK'S OWN) DIVISION. GENERAL ARNOLD IS AN ARTILLERY EXPERT.

FLEET ADM. CHESTER X X X THIRD GRAF THIRD NIGHT LEAD. PM711PPW

UNITS OF HODGE'S CORPS, PART OF THE ARMY-MARINE 10TH ARMY,
THRUST SWIFTLY FORWARD FROM THE OKINAWA SOUTHWEST COAST BEACHHEADS
TO OCCUPY THE VILLAGES OF TOBARA AND AWASHI ON THE EAST COAST AT
NAKAGUSUKU BAY YESTERDAY, SAID ROBBIN COONS, ASSOCIATED PRESS
WAR CORRESPONDENT WITH THE TROOPS, Add Good Change (Language) & account of the East Coast Through
NEGLIGIBLE OPPOSITION, MEANT THAT OBJECTIVES HAD BEEN REACHED IN
THE THREE DAYS SINCE THE SUNDAY INVASION, WHICH HAD BEEN EXPECTED
TO TAKE FIVE DAYS TO ACHIEVE.

TO TAKE FIVE DAYS TO ACHIEVE.

THE WIKS ROSSING OF THE ISLAND, EIGH MILES WIDE AT THIS OINT, WITH SUCH LIGHT CASUALTIES "MEANS THAT THEY HAVE MADE US

A PRESENT OF THE CENTER OF THE ISLAND, "HODGE SAID.

WE ARE ASHORE AND WE ARE SET. IF THEY HAD ELECTED TO HOLD IN HIGH GROUND IN THE MIDDLE OF THE AREA THEY COULD HAVE GIVEN US PLENTY OF TROUBLE. I DO NOT KNOW WHY THEY MADE US SUCH A PRESENT, BUT

E ARE PLEASED TO HAVE IT. MAKAGUSUKU BAY, FORMER JAPANESE FLEET ANCHORAGE, WAS REACHED FIER THE 24TH CORPS TRAVELED RUGGED TERRAIN AND ROADS COVERED WITH DEEP DUST. THE ROAD IS FILLED WITH AMERICAN JEEPS, TANKS AND TRUCKS

RUSHING TO SUPPLY THE TROOPS ON THE EAST COAST.

LEATHERNECKS OF THE THIRD MARINE AMPHIBIOUS CORPS MET JAPANESE SMALL ARMS FIRE YESTERDAY AS THEY MOVED UP THE SLOPES OF YONTANZAN, A 700-FOOT HEIGHT IN THE NORTH CENTRAL SECTOR OF THE CROSS-ISLAND DRIVE, SAID JAMES LINDSLEY, ASSOCIATED PRESS CORRESPONDENT WITH THE DEVILDOGS.

IT WAS THE HEAVIEST RESISTANCE THE JAPANESE HAD OFFERED IN THE SECTOR, BUT MARINE CASUALTIES WERE LIGHT, LINDSLEY SAID.

COMMAND OF YONTANZAN, WILL SECURE THE AMERICANS' HOLD ON YONTAN AIRFIELD'S 3,000-FOOT STRIP, TAKEN BY THE MARINES INVASION DAY.

HERE, AS ON THE 24TH CORPS ARMY FRONT, THE MARINES WERE AHEAD OF SCHEDULE. ONE HIGH OFFICER TOLD LINDSLEY THE LEATHERNECKS

WERE MEADING A POINT THEY HAD HOPED TO HIM ONLY AFTER SEVERAL DAYS. WERE NEARING A POINT THEY HAD HOPED TO WIN ONLY AFTER SEVERAL DAYS OF BATTLE

YONTAN FIELD, ALONG WITH KATENA AIRSTRIP TO THE SOUTH, CAPTURED BY THE ARMY TROOPS ON LANDING DAY, HAVE BEEN PUT INTO OPERATION FOR

AMERICAN OBSERVATION PLANES.
WHILE TOKYO RADIO BROADCAST CLAIMS OF "SAVACE" JAPANESE ATTACKS ON THE AMERICANS. THERE HAS BEEN NOTHING TO SUBSTANTIATE THE CLAIM IN OFFICIAL UNITED STATES REPORTS OR FRONTLINE ACCOUNTS OF YANK PRO-

THE JAPANESE RADIO ALSO SAID, WHOLLY WITHOUT CONFIRMATION, THAT THE HIPPONESE ATTACKS ON ADM.R.A.SPRUANCE'S 1400-SHIP AMERICAN ARMADA WHICH PREPARED THE WAY FOR THE INVASION AND SUPPORTED THE LANDING HAD CONVERTED THE SEA AROUND THE ISLAND INTO A VERTIABLE GRAVEVADOR FOR HALTER STATES OF THE SEA AROUND THE ISLAND INTO A VERTIABLE

GRAVEYARD" FOR UNITED STATES SHIPS.
TOKYO RADIO CLAIMED THAT THE OKINAWA CAMPAIGN SO FAR HAD COST 146 _ AMERICAN SHIPS SUNK OR DAMAGED BY JAPANESE AIR AND SURFACE UNITS.
THESE WERE SAID TO INCLUDE FIVE BATTLESHIPS, SEVEN AIRCRAFT CARRIERS,
10 UNSPECIFIED WARSHIPS, 12 BATTLESHIPS OR CRUISERS, 18 CRUISERS AND DESTROYERS.

THE JAPANESE OKINAWA GARRISON, ESTIMATED TO NUMBER BETWEEN 60,000 AND 80,000, HAS EXCELLENT DEFENSE OPPORTUNITIES IN THE MOUNTAINS TO THE NORTH, TO THE SOUTH ON THE WEST COAST IS NAHA, CITY OF AROUND 65,000 POPULATION, WITH A NAVAL BASE AND PROTECTING AIRFIELDS. ET 152PCW

OTHER SOLDIERS THERE WERE CPL. SAM SING 67 EUROPA, HISS.,
AND CPL.RUSSELL SCHUCKER OF MT. CARMEL, ILL.
DESERTED HOMES WERE VISITED NEAR THE KATENA AIRSTRIP WERE MUCH OF
A PATTERN. THEY ARE BORDERED BY PROTECTIVE TREES, FORMING A SORT
OF COURTYARD, AND LIMESTONE HOUSES ARE ROOFED WITH THATCH OR TILE.
LACQUERWARE, FOR WHICH THE ISLAND IS NOTED, WAS PLENTIFUL,
AND WE FOUND HANY ORNAMENTAL POTTERY CEDAR CHEST.

GUAM -- SECOND AA B-29S PRECEDE WASHN (BY WAITE) (TOP ON AA) X X X WITHOUT CONFIRMATION. CREWMEN OF THE GUAM-BASED PLANES SAID THEY ENCOUNTERED NO FLAK
NO FIGHTERS OVER SHIZUOKA.
BOMBING WAS BY INSTRUMENT. REPORTED LT.A.B. STUEBBE OF

MANITOWOC. WIS. NAVIGATOR OF THE SUPERFORT CATE OF ALDAMY, "BUT WE SAW QUITE A FEW FIRES."

CAPT.J.H.WILLCOX, PILOT AND PLANE COMMANDER, WHOSE HOME IS
ROUTE 1. WATERVLIET, (CORRECT), N.Y., SAID "IT LOOKED LIKE A
GOOD JOB, BUT THERE WAS NO MUCH HAZE I COULDN'T TELL EXACTLY
WHAT THE RESULTS WERE." HE SAID THE LACK OF OPPOSITION MADE THE RAID
"DISAPPOINTING -- SO DAMN' EASY IT WAS PATHETIC."

CPL.GENE O'BRIEN OF 587 WEST MARKET ST.WABASH, IND., TAILGUNNER
OF THE "ARKANSAS TRAVELER," PILOTED BY LT.BEN KOWALCYK
OF 910 DAMON ST., FLINT, MICH., SAID "WE HIT THE RIGHT AREA, ALL
RIGHT." KOWALCYK SAID THEY TRIED A VISUAL BOMBING RUN BUT THERE WAS

SO MUCH OVERCAST THAT "WE TOOK A QUICK VOTE AND DECIDED TO COME AROUND AGAIN AND BOMB BY INSTRUMENT.

LT.BERT R.LEBY, 1625 EAST 13TH ST. BROOKLYN, N.Y., BOMBARDIER OF THE SAME PLANE, SAID HE WAS ABLE TO DISTINGUISH BUILDINGS IN THE TARGET AREA ON THE FIRST RUN. HE BELIEVED THEY HIT ON THE SECOND TRY.

BY LEIF ERICKSON

GUAM, APRIL 3-(AP)-WITH 24TH CORPS ARMY TROOPS THRUSTING

PATROLS COMPLETELY ACROSS OKINAWA IN AN UNEXPECTEDLY SWIFT INITIAL

SUCCESS, THE JAPANESE DEFENSE PLAN SHOULD BE REVEALED IN STIFFENING

RESISTANCE AT POSITIONS PICKED FOR A STAND BY THE JAPANESE DEFENDERS.

WHETHER THE JAPANESE GARRISON HAS BEEN CUT IN TWO BY THE ISLAND

CROSSING DRIVE OR WHETHER THE NIPPONESE WITHDREW IN ONE MAIN FORCE THORES SECREDOB

TO THE SOUTH OR NORTH SHOULD BE DISCLOSED IN ACTION OF THE NEXT FEW DAYS.

IF THE JAPANESE WERE TACTICALLY OUTGUESSED INTO CONCENTRATING FOR DEFENSE AGAINST THE AMERICAN LANDINGS ON OKINAWA'S EAST AND SOUTHEAST COAST. THE MAIN BODY OF ENEMY TROOPS CAN MAKE A BITTER SATURATION DEFENSIVE STAND ON THE THREE MILE SOUTHERN ISTHMUS, SOUTH OF CHATAN TOWN.

IF THE JAPANESE COMMANDER KNEW THAT EXTERMINATION WAS THE FATE OF GARRISONS ON VIRTUALLY ALL OF THE CONQUERED ISLANDS IN THE PACIFIC IT IS LIKELY A DECISION WAS MADE IN ADVANCE AGAINST A COSTLY DEFENSE OF THE BEACHES. HE WOULD PREFER TO WITHDRAW INTO OKINAWA'S RUGGED NORTHERN HOUNTAINS.

THIS WAS THE JAPANESE TACTIC ON LUZON WHERE LINGAYEN GULF LANDINGS WERE LIGHTLY OPPOSED.

Y SIMILAR OPERATIONS THE OKINAWA COMMANDER MAY HOPE TO KEEP THE AMERICAN FORCES OCCUPIED FOR CONSIDERABLE TIME.

IF THE JAPANESE COMMANDER EXPECTS RESCUE BY THE IMPERIAL FLEET HE COULD ACT TO GAIN TIME BY SETTING UP A DEFENSIVE LINE ACROSS A NARROW NECK OF LAND AT ISHIKAWA, NORTH OF YONTAN HILL. THE ISLAND IS ABOUT TWO MILES ACROSS AT THIS POINT AND SUITABLE FOR SOLID DEFENSE. ONE GUESS FOR EXPLAINING THE JAPANESE FAILURE TO MAKE A STAND ON BEACHES WITH PREPARED AND POTENTIALLY STRONG POSITIONS IS THAT COSTLY EXTERMINATIONS OF THE JAPANESE GARRISONS AT TARAWA, SAIPAN, PELELIEU, GUAM AND IWO JIMA IS PAYING OFF FOR THE AMERICANS IN THE OKINAWA CAMPAIGN.

IF THE JAPANESE KNOW THE TRUE FATE OF THESE GARRISONS, THE KNOWLEDGE MUST BE DECREASING THEIR APPETITE FOR DEFENDING BEACHES AGAINST SHELLING, BOMBING AND DETERMINED AMERICAN LANDING ASSAULTS.

BOMBING AND DETERMINED AMERICAN LANDING ASSAULTS.

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BY JAMES LINDSLEY 300

U.S. MARINE DIVISION COMMAND POST, OKINAWA, APRIL 3-(AP)AMERICAN MARINES OF THE THIRD AMPHIBIOUS CORPS WERE FIGHTING A
SUCCESSFUL UPHILL BATTLE TODAY AS THEY MOVED UP THE SLOPES OF
TOO-FOOT MOUNT YONTANZAN IN THE NORTH CENTRAL SECTOR OF THE
EXPANDING LEATHERNECK BEACHHEAD.

THE MARINES WERE MEETING MORE RESISTANCE THAN THE JAPANESE SO
FAR HAD DISPLAYED IN THIS INVASION ONLY 325 MILES SOUTH OF THE

NIPPON HOMELAND.

YONTANZAN COMMANDS THE AMERICAN-HELD YONTAN AIRFIELD AND OFFICERS SAID SEIZURE OF THE MOUNTAIN WOULD DEFINITELY SECURE IT.

THE JAPANESE WERE USING CAVE AND RAVINE DEFENSE POSITIONS EMPLOYING CHIEFLY MACHINEGUN, IND SMALL ARMS FIRE INSTEAD OF THE MORTARS AND ARTILLERY WHICH LURMED THE BASIS OF THEIR RESISTANCE ON OTHER PACIFIC ISLANDS.

THE LEATHERNECK UNITS TAKING PART IN THE MOUNTAIN ASSAULT SUFFERED LIGHT CASUALTIES. IDENTITY OF THE UNITS AND THEIR COMMANDING OFFICERS WERE WITHHELD.

THE MARINE DIVISION'S COMMANDING GENERAL SAID THE THIRD CORPS HAD ADVANCED 7,800 YARDS AT SOME POINTS FROM THE SOUTHWEST BEACHES WHERE THEY LANDED APRIL 1 AND ARE NEARING A SPOT WHICH HAD BEEN FIXED AS A GOAL AFTER SEVERAL DAYS MORE BATTLING.

THE TERRAIN IS SUCH THAT THE LEATHERNECKS HAVE BEEN FORCED TO BUILD POADS AS THEY GO OR THEY WOULD HAVE BEEN FARTHER AHEAD.

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THE GENERAL SAID.

YONTAN AIRFIELD'S 3,000-FOOT RUNWAY WAS USED FOR THE FIRST TIME
TODAY BY AMERICAN PLANES. RETURNING FROM COMBAT AIR PATROL ENSIGN
W.O.MARBLE, OF JEFFERSONVILLE, IND., DEVELOPED AN ENGINE OIL
LEAK AND MADE A SUCCESSFUL FORCED LANDING. THE FIELD'S
TAXI STRIP WAS PREVIOUSLY USED BY TINY OBSERVATION PLANES.

MARINE HEAVY ARTILLERY WAS SET UP AND READY TO GO TO WORK "IF IT
COULD FIND ANYTHING TO SHOOT AT" SAID COL.E.H. KERSCH, OF
CHAMBERLAIN, S.D., SURVEY OFFICER OF THE FIFTH MARINE
AMPHIBIOUS CORPS ON LOAN TO THE THIRD CORPS.

THE ROUNDUP OF NATIVE CIVILIANS IS CONTINUING AND MOMPUPWARD OF
1,500 ARE IN REFUGE CENTERS. NO INSTANCES OF CIVILIAN
HOSTILITY HAVE BEEN REPORTED.

DV635PCWNM THE GENERAL SAID.

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WITH AN AMERICAN ARMY DIVISION ON OKINAVA, APRIL 3-(AP)-THE TOWN OF AWASHI ON OKINAWA'S EAST COAST WAS SECURED TODAY BY THIS

DIVISION OF THE 24TH ARMY CORPS ON THE THIRD DAY AFTER IT HIT THE WEST COAST BEACH IN THE 10TH ARMY INVASION.

CUTTING EIGHT HILES EASTWARD ACROSS THE ISLAND AFTER TAKING KATENA AIRFIELD. THE YANKS ENTERED AWASHI ENCOUNTERING LITTLE RESISTANCE.

THE PUSH TO AWASHI WAS ACROSS ROUGH TERRAIN ALONG A DUSTY ROAD.

WHICH TODAY IS JAMMED WITH AMERICAN MILITARY TRAFFIC.

THE ROAD WINDS THROUGH A CRAZY-QUILT PATCHWORK OF VECETABLE FARMS AND RICE PADDIES. SCATTERED AROUND THE FIELDS ARE CHUMPLED BODIES, APPARENTLY CIVILIANS CAUGHT IN THE AMERICAN ARTILLERY AND SHIP

BOMBARDMENTS. AROUND KATENA FIELD THERE WAS MUCH EVIDENCE OF JAPANESE CAMOUFLAGE ACTIVITIES, DUMMY FIGHTER PLANES WERE SCATTERED AROUND IN THE

OPEN OR HALF CONCEALED IN PARTIALLY SCREENED REVETMENTS.

BUT THE JAPANESE SPOILED THE EXPECTED CAMOUFLAGE EFFECT BY
MIXING REAL FIGHTER PLANES AMONG THE DUMMIES. AMERICAN HAVY CARRIER
PLANES BLASTED THE WHOLE AREA, DESTROYING BOTH.

AJ.JACKSON GILLIS, SACRAMENTO, CALIF., SAID THAT
SO FAR THE DIVISION'S CASUALTIES HAVE BEEN EXTREMELY LIGHT.

"WE'VE KILLEDNYXCTZLY 100 JAPS TO DATE AND HAVE TAKEN A COUPLE

OF PRISONERS, CILLIS SAID. JW141PCW NM

BY ROBBIN COOKS WITH THE U.S. 24TH ARMY CORPS ON OKINAWA, APRIL 3-(AP)-INVASION OF THIS ISLAND 325 MILES FROM THE JAPANESE HOMELAND SO FAR "IS GOING FAR BETTER THAN OUR WILDEST DREAMS," MAJ.GEN.JOHN R.

GOING FAR BETTER THAN OUR WILDEST DREAMS, MAJ.GEN.JOHN R. HODGE, CORPS COMMANDER SAID TONIGHT.

HE POINTED OUT OBJECTIVES HAD BEEN REACHED ON THE THIRD DAY OF THE INVASION THAT HAD BEEN EXPECTED TO REQUIRE FIVE DAYS.

"THE FACT THAT WE HAVE GONE ASHORE AND ACROSS THE ISLAND WITH PRACTICALLY NO CASUALTIES MEANS THEY HAVE MADE US A PRESENT OF THE CENTER OF THE ISLAND, HODGES COMMENTED.

"WE ARE ASHORE NOW AND WE ARE SET. IF THEY HAD ELECTED TO HOLD IN HIGH GROUND IN THE MIDDLE OF THIS AREA THEY COULD HAVE GIVEN US PLENTY OF TROUBLE. I DO NOT KNOW WHY THEY MADE US SUCH A PRESENT BUT WE ARE PLEASED TO HAVE IT. THE HIGH GROUND REFERRED TO IS HONEYCOMBED WITH CAVES. ARTILLERY EMPLACEMENTS HAD BEEN ABANDONED AND THE GUNS REMOVED BEFORE THE YANKS CAME ASHORE.

CAME ASHORE.

NO OFFICIAL CASUALTY FIGURE HAS BEEN GIVEN FOR THE SPORADIC RE-SISTANCE SO FAR ENCOUNTERED BUT IT IS KNOWN LOSSES HAVE BEEN EXTREMELY LIGHT BY ANY BATTLE STANDARDS AND NEGLIGIBLE AS COMPARED WITH ANTICIPATIONS FOR AN OPERATION OF THIS MAGNITUDE AND IMPORTANCE.

THERE IS AN EXPECTATION, HOWEVER, THAT THE JAPANESE SOON MUST COMMIT THEIR ESTIMATED 60,000 TROOPS ON THE ISLAND AND THAT A BATTLE IS SHAPING UP. IT AND WHEN IT DEVELOPS THE AMERICANS WILL BE FULLY PREPARED WITH THE FINEST ESTABLISHED INSTALLATIONS, WITH EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES READY AND MORE POURING IN DAILY.

BY GRANT MACDONALD

OKINAWA, APRIL 3-(AP)-OKINAWA NOTES:

A BRIGADIER GENERAL SAT ON A CANVAS CAMP CHARMAR A COMMAND

POST MEAR YONTON AIRFIELD, CUSSING THE CAST SWATHING AN ARM BROKEN WHEN

WE FELL INTO A LANDING BOAT BEFORE HE EVER REACHED OKINAWA. BUT CLIPPED

VING AND ALL HE HIT THE BEACH AT NOON. HE REMARKED, "I'VE GOT A

WIFE IN MARYLAND AND I'VE DEEN AWAY FROM THERE TOO DAMNED LONG!

-- DASH-
PEC ROY JORE. A MARYLAND AND I'VE DEEN AWAY FROM THERE TOO DAMNED LONG!

PTC ROY JOBE, A MARINE DIVISION PHOTOGRAPHER FROM (500 LOCUST ST.) SWEETWATER, TEX., JOCGED ALONG A CRAZY, TWISTING TRAIL NEAR SOBE VILLAGE ASTRIBE A MINIATURE OKINAVA PONY, JOBE'S LEGS NEARLY TOUCHED THE GROUND AND CAMERA EQUIPMENT FLAPPED AROUND BUT ME ANNOUNCED:

TEAMED UP, BUT IT SURE BEATS WALKING!"

A CROUP OF OKINAVA WOMEN HESITANTLY APPROACHED A PILE OF CLOTHING PLACED TO PROVIDE THEM SUITABLE RAIMENT. INSTANTLY THEIR HESITANCY WAS GONE AND THEY JABBERED AMONG THEMSELVES JUST LIKE BARGAIN DAY.

TUCCING AT AN MP'S SLEEVE WAS A SCRAWNY OLD MAN. THERE WERE SIX DEAD JAPANESE SOLDIERS IN HIS WELL AND HE WAS AFRAID SOMEONE WOULD MAKE HIM USE HIS OWN WATER SUPPLY.

THINKS HE'S A SLICKER. EVER SINCE INIS MURNING HE'S BEEN
PICKING UP SOME UNNECESSARY BUNDLE OF SOMETHING AND WALKING OFF INTO
THE BUSHES. HE KEEPS TRYING TO SHEAK AWAY. ONE OF MY BOYS FOLLOWS HIM,
PROGRESS STILL IS AMAZINGLY SWIFT,
AMD CET AMOTHER BUNDLE.

ARMY'S FAMOUS GERMICIDE.
ON THE BEACH ENGINEERS BLASTED

M.P.'S DISCLOSED ONE GRIM INCIDENT. AS THEY APPROACHED A HOUSE IN WHICH A JAPANESE WOMAN AND TWO CHILDREN WERE HIDING, THE TRIO SUDDENLY EMERGED AND BEFORE THE SOLDIERS COULD INTERVERE THE WOMAN HAD WHIPPED OUT A LONG KNIFE AND ALL BUT DECAPITATED BOTH CHILDREN.

-- DASH--

A70FX DOWN AT A BEACH REFUGEE CAMP SOLDIERS CHUCKLE AT THE ANTICS OF ONE MAN WHOM THEY DESCRIBE AS "ACTING LIKE A GUY WITH A PAPER HAT." ALL DAY LONG, IT SEEMS, HE PRETENDS HE'S SIGNALING JAPANESE TROOPS. -- DASH--

ONE OF THE MOST UNCLAMOROUS OF JOBS IS THAT OF PFC ROBERT CLAFLEUR OF (MAIN ST.) CREENVILLE, N.H. HE SITS IN THE CRAME ON A FLOATING PONTOON BARGE UNLOADING SUPPLIES FROM A NEVERBRIBLE LINE OF HIGGINS BOATS--JUST PULLING WHEELS AND TWISTING LEVERS FROM DAYLIGHT TO DUSK. UM406APV

WITH OKINAWA (170)

GUAM, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4-(AP)-JAPANESE GENERALSHIP IS "CHIEFLY RESPONSIBLE" FOR INITIAL AMERICAN SUCCESSES IN THE OKINAWA INVASION, VICE ADM. RICHMOND KELLY TURNER SAID TODAY IN A BROADCAST INTERVIEW.

IN A PROGRAM ARRANGED BY THE NAVY, ADM. TURNER PRAISED "A GUY NAMED JOE WHO GETS OUT OF A BOAT, WALKS TO SHORE AND SHOOTS JAPS."

QUERIED AS TO WHETHER HE EXPECTED A JAPANESE COUNTER-ATTACK FROM THE ENEMY'S MAINLAND, TURNER REPLIED SUCCINCTLY: "I HOPE SO."

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CLOSED BY THE OKINAWA OPERATION WITH:

JAP GENERALSHIP HAS HELPED US IN THE PAST. I KNOW LITTLE ABOUT

LAND WARFARE BUT I MUST SAY I AM GLAD TO BE ON THE SAME SIDE WITH OUR AMERICAN GENERALS."

EXPERIENCE, HE ADDED, HAS BEEN OF IMPORTANCE TO THE SUCCESS OF THE INVASION AS "ALL THOSE INVOLVED IN THE LANDINGS TRY TO EXPLOIT THEIR PAST EXPERIENCE."

SPEAKING OF THE FUTURE, THE ADMIRAL SAID HE DID NOT KNOW WHETHER "ADMIRAL NIMITZ IS GOING TO TELL US TO GO TO FORMOSA OR TO

JAPAN AND TAKE THE EMPEROR'S PALACE. " HE ADDED:

JAPAN AND TAKE THE EMPEROR'S PALACE." HE ADDED:

"BUT ALL OF US ARE DELIGHTED TO ENCOUNTER AGAIN THE SAME TYPE OF JAPAN AND TAKE THE EMPEROR'S PALACE." HE ADDED:

GENERALSHIP WHICH HAS HELPED US IN THE PAST."

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BYKVERN HAUGLAND (150)

CHATAN VILLAGE, OKINAWA, APRIL 3-(AP)-MORE THAN 1,000

DIRTY, MISERABLE STARVING OKINAWANS HAVE-CREPT OUT OF CAVES AND OTHER HIDING PLACES AND HAVE BEEN BROUGHT INTO A REFUGEE CAMP NEAR THIS

VILLAGE.

AT THE SAME TIME TROOPS OF THE TENTH ARMY IN THEIR DASH ACROSS THIS SILAND REPORTED SEEING CIVILIAN MEN UNCONCERNEDLY PLOWING

WHOSE PROPERTY OF THE MENT HIGHWAY ONLY 35 MILES NORTHWEST OF THE HOOPS ARE ASTRIDE THE MAIN HIGHWAY ONLY 35 MILES NORTHWEST OF THE MORTHWAY ONLY 35 MILES NORTHWEST ONLY 35 MILES NORTHWEST OF THE MORTHWAY ONLY 35 MILES NORTHWAY O CHATAN VILLAGE, OKINAWA, APRIL 3-(AP)-MORE THAN 1,000
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HIDING PLACES AND HAVE BEEN BROUGHT INTO A REFUGEE CAMP NEAR THIS VILLAGE.

THEIR FIELDS.

SOME UNITS ADVANCED SO FAST TRUCKS COULD NOT KEEP UP WITH THEM ON WHAT PRIMITIVE ROADS EXISTED. SUPPLIES WERE DROPPED TO THESE TROOPS BY PARACHUTE.

PLANES CONTINUED TO SEARCH OUT THE ENEMY BUT PILOTS WERE HARD PUT TO FIND TARGETS. SOME FLOATING ENEMY MINES WERE STRAFED AND

EXPLODED OFF SHORE.
INCREASING RIFLE FIRE HINDERED TROOPS SOMEWHAT BUT THEIR

CARRIER PLANES CONTINUED TO SPRAY THE OCCUPIED WITH DDT. THE

ON THE BEACH ENGINEERS BLASTED OUT CHANNELS IN CORAL REEFS. THEN LAID PONTOON CAUSEWAYS TO HASTEN THE UNLOADING OF SUPPLIES WHICH IS PRO-GRESSING SATISFACTORILY.

HOSPITAL SHIPS LAY OFF THE INVASION BEACHES BUT HAD MANY EMPTY BEDS BECAUSE OF THE LIGHT CAUSALTIES.

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NIGHT LEAD PHILIPPINES AND MANILA, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4-(AP)-A DEATH-OR-SURRENDER FATE TODAY FACED ANOTHER JAPANESE GARRISON ON LUZON, MAIN ISLAND OF THE PHILIPPINES, AS AMERICAN LIBERATION FORCES PUSHED THE TASK OF FORGING A HOPELESS TRAP FOR THE NIPPONESE ON THE BICOL PENINSULA.

THE SOUTHERN JAW OF THE TRAP HINGED ON LEGASPI, STRATEGIC SOUTHEAST OF LUZON PORT WHICH YANK DOUGHBOYS TOOK SUNDAY AGAINST INSIGNIFICANT OPPOSITION. SOLDIERS OF THE 14TH ARMY CORPS AND THE 158TH REGIMENTAL COMBAT TEAM SPEEDILY CAPTURED THE CITY AND ITS AIRFIELDS AND DASHED A HALF DOZEN MILES INLAND TOWARD JUNCTION WITH GUER IELDS AND DASHED A HALF DOZEN MILES INLAND TOWARD JUNCTION WITH GUER-RILLA FORCES.

IN A DISPATCH FROM LEGASPI, ASSOCIATED PRESS WAR CORRESPONDENT JAMES HUTCHESON SAID OPPOSITION REVIVED SPORADICALLY IN THE REGION OF MT.BARIVY, A 900-FOOT PEAK THREE MILES SOUTHWEST OF THE CITY. SOLDIERS WENT TO WORK AT ONCE TO PREPARE A 3,000-FOOT LEGASPI

AIRSTRIP FOR AMERICAN PLANES.
HUTCHESON REPORTED IT WAS THE OLD JAPANESE STORY AT LEGASPI -NUMEROUS FORMIDABLE DEFENSES ABANDONED BY THE NIPPONESE. HE SAID
LEGASPI CITY WAS HEAVILY DAMAGED BY PREINVASION BOMBARDMENTS OF NAVAL GUNS AND AIRCRAFT.
FROM HILL POSITIONS THE JAPANESE THREW ABOUT 40 ROUNDS OF
ARTILLERY SHELLS AGAINST THE SEVENTH FLEET'S DESTROYERS AND
SMALLER UNITS. NOT A SHIP WAS HIT AND THE JAPANESE GUNS WERE
SILENCED BEFORE THE DOUGHBOYS SWARMED UP THE BEACH. SOME OF THE
SHELLS BRACKETED THE SHIP BEARING BRIG.GEN.HANFORD MACNIDER,
CHIEF OF THE COMBAT FORCE. AND NAVY CAPTAIN H.F.MCGEE, OF

CHIEF OF THE COMBAT FORCE, AND NAVY CAPTAIN H.F.MCGEE, OF JEFFERSON PARISH, NEW ORLEANS.

ON THE NORTHERN JAW OF THE BICOL TRAP OTHER DOUGHBOYS OF MAJ.

GEN. OSCAR GRISWOLD'S 14TH CORPS FOUGHT DESPERATELY TO GAIN HILL POSITIONS IN THE ALAMINOS SECTOR SOUTH OF LAGUNA DE BAY. THESE

PHILIPPINE-BASED YANK FLIERS BOMBED TARGETS IN THE ARCHIPELAGO, AGAIN BLASTED FORMOSA, HIT SHIPPING OFF THE CHINA COAST, SMASHED RIVER CRAFT IN CHINA'S YANGTZE ESTUARY, AND HEAVILY LASHED A BORNEO AIRDROME.

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LEGASPI EYEWITNESS (WITH PIPS) (680)

BY JAMES MUTCHESON
LEGASPI, LUZON, APRIL 2-(BELAYED)-(AP)-JAPANESE
RESISTANCE, WHICH MELTED AWAY AS ASSAULT TROOPS HIT LEGASPI BEACH
EASTER SUNDAY AFTER A SPECTACULAR DUEL BETWEEN U.S. NAVY GUNS AND
JAPANESE ARTILLERY, REVIVED SPORADICALLY AROUND HT. BARINY

CORRECT) TODAY.

IN THIS "LITTLE BATAAN" SECTION, BRIG.GEN. HANFORD MACHIDER'S

158TH REGIMENTAL COMBAT TEAM CAPTURED TWO FIVE-INCH GUNS.

THE BOUGHBOYS PUSHED SIX HILES INLAND TOWARD A JUNCTION ALTH

GUERRILLAS WHO

THE DOUGHBOYS PUSHED SIX MILES INLAND TOWARD A JUNCTION WITH GUERRILLAS WHO CONTROL MUCH OF THE HINTERLAND.

(AS THIS WAS WRITTEN, RESULTS OF THE FIGHTING ON 900-FOOT MT.BARIUY, THREE MILES TO THE SOUTHWEST, WERE MOT KNOWN).

JAPANESE FIRED AN ESTIMATED 40 ROUNDS AT U.S. SHIPS DURING THE LANDING WITHOUT EFFECT, THEN RETIRED. WHEN CAPTS, FARRIE IVIE, FOREST, TEX., AND RICHARD REHM, (2011 N. NEW JERSEY ST.) INDIANAPOLIS, LED THEIR ASSAULT COMPANIES ASHORE, ONLY TWO MIPPOMESE WERE KILLED AND ONLY ONE AMERICAN WAS WOUNDED.

THE TROOPS, UNDER COL. E.O. SANDLIN, ANNISTON, ALA., QUICKLY CAPTURED A 3.000-FOOT AIRSTRIP AND A REARBY HILL, A MILE AND A MALF FROM THE BEACH, AFTER DE-MINING PARTS OF THE BEACH ROADS TO THE AIRFIELD. THE FIELD IS BEING RUSHED INTO CONDITION,

THROUGHOUT THE AREA SURROUNDING THE BEACH, IT WAS THE OLD STORY—THE JAPANESE HAD BUILT HANY AND FORMIDABLE DEFENSES, BUT LEFT THEN UNMANNED.

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NAVY BOMBARDMENT AND AERIAL BOMBING HEAVILY DAMACED LEGASPI PORT AND MANY BUILDINGS. (MACARTHUR'S COMMUNIQUE SAID LEGASPI TOWN, POPULATION 45,000, WAS VIRTUALLY UNDAMACED.)

CAPT. BAYWARD W. HART, EDWOND, OKLA., LED HIS COMPANY INTO LEGASPI, TWO HILES INLAND, THREE HOURS AFTER THE LANDING, SPEARING WITH A PLATOON LED BY LT. BERYL STACEY, BLUE, ARIZ. YANKS UNDER MAJOR WILLIAM C. TUFTS, GRAYLING, MICH., TOOK THE AIR STRIP, WHILE FORCES OF MAJ. BOYSIE DAY, WINSLOW, ARIZ., TOOK THE LITTLE BATAAN DEFENSE POSITIONS.

LICASPI, 40 MILES NORTH OF THE SOUTHERN TIP OF LUZON'S TAIL AND 200 MILES SOUTHEAST OF HANILA, WAS THE SITE OF ONE JAPANESE LANDING THREE YEARS AGO.

THREE YEARS ACO.

BOMBARDMENT BY A SMALL FORCE OF DESTROYERS, DESTROYER ESCORTS

AND GUNBOATS WAS SCHEDULED 20 MINUTES BEFORE THE LANDINGS.

AFTER HEAVY BOMBING, BUT A CHALLENGE FROM JAPANESE ARTILLERY STARTED

THE FIREWORKS AN HOUR AHEAD OF TIME.

FLASHES FROM GUNS ON HILLS BACK OF THE BEACH, WHICH THE JAPANESE LABELED LITTLE BATAAN, SIGNALED THE OPENING. PROBABLY USING 3 OR 3-INCH GUNS, THE JAPANESE FIRED CLOSE TO 30 ROUNDS, IT WAS THE HEAVIEST SHORE FIRE I HAVE SEEN IN HALF A BOZEN PHILIPPINES LANDINGS.

LANDINGS.

ALTHOUGH ENEMY MARKSMANSHIP WAS NOT SO GOOD -- NOT ONE OF OUR

LANDING.
THE SHORE CUNS WERE SILENCED AFTER LIBERATORS, LIGHTNINGS AND THUNDERBOLTS JOINED IN THE BOMBARDMENT.
ONE ANNUNITION DUMP ON THE HILLSIDE WAS HIT, AN AERIAL OBSERVER REPORTED. TWO OTHER TOWERING COLUMNS OF SMOKE INLAND THE LOUPS.

INDICATED HITS ON FUEL DUMPS,
ONE GUNBOAT, CLOSE INSHORE, ENGAGED IN ALMOST POINT-BLANK
BLASTING OF A RILL WHICH BOMINATES THE BEACH AND FROM WHICH SOME
FIRE APPARENTLY WAS COMING. A ROCKET BARRAGE PRECEDED THE
LANDING BY A FEW MINUTES.
LANDING BY A FEW MINUTES.

IT APPEARED PROBABLE THE JAPANESE HAD INSTALLED NUMEROUS GUNS IN THE LEGASPI AREA IN EXPECTATION THAT THE FIRST AMERICAN BLOW WOULD BE AGAINST SOUTHERN LUZON FROM LEYTE-SAMAR BASES. GEN. DOUGLAS MACARTHUR'S STRATEGY, WORKING NORTHWARD, HAD POINTED TO SUCH A PROBABILITY.

THE LEGASPI BEACH WAS A PRECARIOUS LANDING SPOT BECAUSE A 222-FOOT HILL RISES TO A BOMINATING POSITION A FEW HUNDRED YARDS AWAY AND A 555-FOOT HILL STANDS ABOVE THE INLAND AIRSTRIP. BOTH ARE STRATEGIC GUN POSITIONS IN ADDITION TO THE "LITTLE BATAAN" HILLS TO THE SOUTH OF LEGASPI AREA. COME-SHAPED, 8000-FOOT MT. MAYON, ONE OF THE PHILIPPINES' RARE ACTIVE VOLCAMOES, COMMANDS THE LÂMBSCAPE FROM ABOUT EIGHT HILES NORTH OF THE BEACHHEAD. THIS WAS THE FIRST AMERICAN CONVOY TO USE THE SAN BERNARDING STRAIT SINCE THE UNITED STATES WRESTED CONTROL OF THAT VITAL SEA LANE FROM THE JAPANESE. A CONVOY OF APPROXIMATELY 25 (CORRECT) SHIPS SWUNG AROUND THE SOUTH TIP OF LUZON, UP THE EAST COAST 40 MILES, THEN FIRE CAME. FIRE CAME.

SOUTHERN LUZON IS RUCCED COUNTRY WHICH WILL PROVIDE A MAJOR CLEANUP TASK. THE LEGASPI PORT AREA IS BELIEVED TO BE A CONSTRUCTION SITE FOR Q-BOATS, WRICH JAPANESE USED ON SUICIDE MISSIONS AGAINST LEGASPI (120) APRIL 1-(DELAYED)-(AP)-THE BOYS ARE CALLING CAPI. JOSEPH LEONARD THE ONE-MAN ASSAULT WAVE OF

CALLING CAPT. JOSEPH LEGNARD THE GRETHAN ASSAULT WAVE GREATED LEGASPI.

THE 147TH ARTILLERY BATTALION OFFICER FROM (2159 CLINSIBE AVE) NORWOOD, OHIO, SHOT THE ONLY TWO JAPANESE KNOWN TO HAVE BEEN KILLED ON THE LEGASPI BEACHHEAD TODAY. HE WAS LOOKING IN A WRECKED BUILDING AT LEGASPI PORT FOR A COMMAND POST SITE WHEN HE SUDDENLY FOUND HIMSELF FACE TO FACE WITH A JAPANESE OFFICER.

"I DON'T KNOW WHICH WAS THE MOST SURPRISED," HE SAID. "I WHIPPED OUT HY .45 AND GOT HIM POINT BLANK."

THE SECOND JAPANESE BOBBED OUT ARHED WITH A GREMADE, "BUT LEGNARD SHOT HIM, TOO, AND THE UNTHROWN GRENADE FINISHED THE

JV"SOSACV NM

BRITAIN, UNDER AGREEMENTS SIGNED TODAY BY COL. J. J. LLEWELLIN, (CORRECT) BRITISH MINISTER OF FOOD, AND CANADIAN AGRICULTURE MINISTER GARDINER, WILL TAKE ALL THE BEEF, BACON, HAM AND EGGS CANADA CAN SUPPLY TO THE END OF 1946.

LAST YEAR CANADA SUPPLIED 140,000,000 POUNDS OF BEEF.

THE CURRENT BACON CONTRACT CALLS FOR SHIPMENTS OF 450,000,000 POUNDS, BUT BRITISH AUTHORITIES ALREADY HAVE INDICATED THEY WOULD ACCEPT WHATEVER QUANTITIES WERE AVAILABLE ABOVE THE AMOUNTS CONTRACTED FOR. .

MEAT RATIONING ENDED IN CANADA FEB. 29, 1944. THE ACTION TAKEN THEN WAS DESCRIBED AS "TEMPORARY" AND ATTRIBUTED PRIMARILY TO SHORTAGES IN SHIPPING SPACE WHICH LIMITED OVERSEAS EXPORTS. (NO PICKUP)

HE SAID THE CARRIERS FLYING PERSONNEL WOOLD COME FROM THE BRITISH FLEET AIR ARM, BUT THAT MANY WOULD BE CANADIANS WHO HAD ENLISTED IN THAT FORCE. DECLARING "A NUMBER" OF DESTROYERS AND FRIGATES WOULD JOIN THESE LARGER VESSELS, THE MINISTER CONTINUED:

"I AM NOT ABLE TO STATE PUBLICLY THE EXACT NUMBER OF SHIPS THAT ME WILL SEND, NOR THE EXACT NUMBER OF MEN INVOLVED, BUT I CAN SAY THAT THE CANADIAN NAVAL UNIT IN THE PACIFIC, WHILE IT WILL NOT AT ALL COMPARE IN SIZE OR STRENGTH TO THE BRITISH NAVAL FORCE OR TO THE MAGNIFICENT AMERICAN PACIFIC FLEET WILL, NEVERTHELESS; BE A GOOD DEAL MORE THAN A MERE TOKEN FORCE, AND IT WILL, I BELIEVE, WORTHILY REPRESENT CANADA IN THE PACIFIC WAR."

MONTREAL, APRIL 3-(AP)-EXCEPT IN A FEW COUNTRIES, LIVING COSTS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD ARE BEING MAINTAINED AT RELATIVELY STABLE LEVELS, IT WAS DISCLOSED BY STATISTICS COMPILED BY THE INTERNATIONAL LABOR OFFICE AND PUBLISHED HERE TODAY IN THE INTERNATIONAL LABOR REVIEW, MONTHLY PUBLICATION OF THE I.L.O.

THE FIGURES, WHICH ARE RELEASED AT QUARTERLY INTERVALS, SHOW ALMOST NO CHANGE IN THE COST OF LIVING IN THE UNITED STATES, GREAT BRITAIN, AND CANADA. THE FIGURE FOR GERMANY IS ALSO COMPARATIVELY UNCHANGED, THE INDEX NUMBER FOR DECEMBER, 1944, BEING 92 AGAINST 91 FOR OCTOBER. ESTIMES) BEW COUNTRIES, HOWEVER, LIVING COSTS ARE CONTINUING TO RISE.

AGAINST 91 FOR OCTOBER.

THE CURRENT BEEF CONTRACT CALLS FOR SHIPMENTS OF 60,000,000 POUNDS. IN CHILE THE INDEX NUMBER REACHED 399 IN NOVEMBER COMPARED WITH 367 IN AUGUST. THE BOLIVIAN NUMBER FOR OCTOBER WAS 813 AGAINST 793 IN JULY, AND IN BRAZIL THE DECEMBER FIGURE WAS 221 COMPARED WITH THE JULY NUMBER OF 213. IN MEXICO THE INDEX NUMBER DROPPED TO 310 IN DECEMBER FROM 325 IN SEPTEMBER.

THE FIGURES FOR INDIA SHOW A RELATIVELY RAPID RISE. THE INDEX
NUMBER FOR BOMBAY IN AUGUST WAS 250 AGAINST 235 IN MAY, WHILE IN
AHMEDABAD IT WAS 229 FOR AUGUST AGAINST 209 IN MAY.

THE AVAILABLE FIGURES FOR EUROPE DISCLOSE FEW SIGNIFICANT CHANGES.
IN FINLAND THE DECEMBER INDEX NUMBER WAS 180 AGAINST 179 IN SEPTEMBER;
IN SPAIN THERE WAS A TWO-POINT INCREASE IN SEPTEMBER OVER THE AUGUST FIGURE OF 258, AND IN PORTUGAL THE INDEX NUMBER ROSE TO 138 IN OCTOBER COMPARED WITH 136 IN JULY. SWEDEN AND SWITZERLAND SHOWED ALMOST NO CHANGE IN THE THREE-MONTH PERIOD COVERED BY THE STATISTICS.

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BY OLEN CLEMENTS

HEADQUARTERS, ALASKA DEPARTMENT, APRIL 3-(AP)-THE ARCTIC PASTNESS
TODAY HELD TIGHT THE SECRET OF THE PATE OF CORP. AMBRIES A CHRIMA

33. AM ALASKAN SCOUT WHO DISAPPEARED FID. 27 WHILE BLAZING A

TRAIL DETVIEN THE COLVILLE AND INPIRPUR (CQ) RIVERS FAR ABOVE THE

ARCTIC CIRCLE.

DOC TEAMS, AND PLANES PILOTED BY TWO EXPERIENCED BUSH PILOTS, SIG
WITH AND OSVALD HELSON OF FAIRBAMES, SEARCHED THE AREA WHERE CURTIN
DISAPPEARED FOR TWO WIERS WITHOUT FINDING A TRACE OF THE HAM.

CURTIN, BORN AT CHESHIRE, HASS., AND A 1934 GRADUATE OF WOTRE

BANE, WORKED IN FAIRBANES UNTIL INDUCTED BY ARADUATE OF WOTRE
IN THE ATTE CAMPAIGN BEFORE BEING TRANSFERRED TO THE ARCTIC CIRCLE
TO DO RECOMMAISANCE WORK. HIS FATHER, JOHN J. CURTIN, LIVES AT
FARMANS, MASS.

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ISOLATIONISM.*

"THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS WAS BASED NOT ON REALISTIC CONDITIONS, BUT ON ITS OWN DESIRES AND AMBITIONS, "SAID THE ARTICLE. "THE SAN FRANCISCO CONFERENCE IS BASED ABOVE ALL ON REALISTIC CONDITIONS. ITS INITIATING POWERS ARE THE STRONGEST STATES IN THE WORLD: THE U.S.S.R., THE UNITED STATES AND GREAT BRITAIN. X X X*

IN APPARENT COGNIZANCE OF REPORTS THE CONFERENCE MIGHT BE POSTPONED OR CANCELLED, PRAVDA SAID:

"THE PEOPLES OF THE WORLD ARE GETTING READY FOR THE SAN FRANCISCO CONFERENCE X X X AT THE END OF THIS MONTH. THE FEW WEEKS UP TO THEN MAY MEAN A WHOLE EPOCH UNDER PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES. X X X

"ONCE UPON A TIME KIPLING WOOTE; WEST IS VEST AND EAST IS EAST AND NEVER THE TWIN SHALL MEET." ALTHOUGH THE WEST REMAINS WEST AND EAST REMAINS EAST, WEST AND EAST ARE MEETING IN FRONT OF OUR VERY EYES. THE SCENE OF THIS RENOWNED MEETING WILL BE BERLIN.

"THE GERMANS ARE TRYING TO POSTPONE THE END OF THE WAR. THE SAN FRANCISCO CONFERENCE IS AN ANSWER TO THIS. THE CONFERENCE WILL UNDATED--FIRST ADD SECURITY CONFERENCE (A69) X X X STATES

MEET DESPITE THE THOUSANDS OF INTRIGUES AND MACHINATIONS OF THE GERMAN FASCISTS AND ADVOCATES IN THEIR DEFENSE, AND IT WILL ACCOMPLISH ITS

THE ARTICLE, DISCUSSING THE FUTURE OF NATIONS IT TERMED "WEAK PEOPLES," SAID "NOTHING BUT FORCE PERMEATED BY THE IDEALS OF DEMOCRACY CAN DEFEND THESE PEOPLE."

IT IS NOW NO LONGER NECESSARY TO PROVE TO THE PEOPLES OF POLAND.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA, YUGOSLAVIA, FINLAND, ROMANIA AND HUNGARY THAT THEIR FREEDOM AND SECURITY DEPEND UPON THEIR FRIENDLY ASSOCIATION WITH THE

U.S.S.R. BECAUSE IT WAS THE STRENGTH OF THE SOVIET UNION THAT RESCUED THESE PEOPLES FROM THE FASCIST INVADERS. IT SAID.

"IT IS CLEAR THAT IF THE STRONGEST STATES OF THE WORLD FIND A COMMON PLATFORM FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE PEACE THERE WILL BE PEACE ON EARTH. IF THIS COMMON PLATFORM IS NOT FOUND. NO CLAUSE IN THE CONSTITUTION OF ANY ORGANIZATION WHATEVER WILL HELP."

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NEW YORK, APRIL 3-(AP)-AMERICAN TROOPS ON OKINAWA, AFTER STORMING ACROSS THE ISLAND FROM WEST TO EAST IN WESS THAN A DAY AND A HALF, TOOK OF THEIR CLOTHES AND WENT SWIMMING WHEN THEY REACHED THE EASTERN SHORE, CBS CORRESPONDENT DON PRYOR SAIL TONIGHT IN A BROADCAST FOR THE COMPLIED AMERICAN NETWORKS HE COMBINED AMERICAN NETWORKS.

SAN FRANCISCO APRIL 3-(AP)-SEVEN KOREANS AND THREE FORMOSANS HAVE BEEN APPOINTED TO THE JAPANESE HOUSE OF PEERS, THE JAPANESE DOME! AGENCY ANNOUNCED TODAY IN A BROADCAST RECORDED BY THE FEDERAL

COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION.

THE APPOINTMENTS ARE APPARENTLY HURRIED ACTION ON AN IMPERIAL RESCIPT ISSUED TWO DAYS AGO BY EMPEROR HIROHITO GRANTING KOREA, FORMOSA AND KARAFUTO PLACES IN THE DIET AFTER 50 YEARS OF RULE UNDER THE JAPANESE WITHOUT REPRESENTATION IN THE GOVERNMENT.

KARAFUTO IS THE JAPANESE SOUTHERN HALF OF SAKHALIN ISLAND, THE NORTHERN PART OF WHICH IS RUSSIAN.

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SAN FRANCISCO, APRIL 3-(AP)-VICE ADM. TAKIJIRO ONISHI TODAY
CALLED UPON THE JAPANESE PEOPLE FOR "TENACITY" IN THE FACE OF THE
ACCELERATING BLOWS AT THE APPROACHES OF THE HOMELAND AND EXPRESSED

BELIEF AMERICA WILL TIRE OF A PROTRACTED CONFLICT.
ONISHI, FORMER DIRECTOR OF JAPAN'S GENERAL AFFAIRS BUREAU OF THE AIRCRAFT ORDINANCE ADMINISTRATION OF THE MUNITIONS INDUSTRY, IN A BROADCAST INTERCEPTED BY THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION, SAID:
"JUST AS LONG AS WE CARRY ON TENACIOUSLY, THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, HAVING NO DEFINITE OBJECTIVE IN THIS WAR, SOON WILL HARBOR DOUBTS AS TO THE ADVISABILITY OF CONTINUING A WAR WHICH OFFERS NO SOLUTION, NO MATTER HOW LONG THEY KEEP ON FIGHTING."

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UNDATED POLISH BOLESLAW BIERUT, PRESIDENT OF THE SOVIET-SPONSORED POLISH
PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT IN WARSAW, DECLARED YESTERDAY (TUES.) THAT "THE
DECISION TO EXCLUDE POLAND" FROM THE SAN FRANCISCO CONFERENCE "CANNOT BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BE JUSTIFIED ON LEGAL GROUNDS. BIERUT'S STATEMENT, QUOTED BY THE POLISH HOME RADIO IN A BROADCAST REPORTED BY THE FCC. WAS MADE AT A MEETING TO COMMEMORATE CREATION OF DANZIG PROVINCE BY THE POLISH PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT AND APPEALED TO THE CONSCIENCE OF THE STATESMEN WHO HAVE TAKEN THE INITIATIVE

IN CALLING THIS CONFERENCE.

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NIGHT LEAD ROAD TO BERLIN BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS EASTERN FRONT: 32 MILES (FROM ZELLIN). EASTERN FRONT: 32 MILES (FROM GOTHA).
WESTERN FRONT: 140 MILES (FROM RENO RIVER).
ITALIAN FRONT: 544 MILES (FROM RENO RIVER).
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THE WAR AT A CLANCE (150) THE ASSOCIATED PRESS THE VESTERN FRONT: BRITISH AND CANADIANS SHEARED TOWARD ZUIDER
ZEE, THREATENING ENTRAPMENT OF GERMAN ARMY GROUP H: RUHR TRAP COMPLETE,
FIRST AND WINTH AMERICAN ARMIES PRESSED IN; TWO-THIRDS OF MUENSTER
CLEARED, BREMEN AND HANNOVER MENACED FROM 60 MILES AWAY: THIRD ARMY
CONTINUED DRIVE TO CUT DELCH IN THOSE SEVENTH ARMY MEMACED MIFENERES. CONTINUED DRIVE TO CUT REICH IN TWO; SEVENTH ARMY MENACED NUERNBERG; FRENCH WIDENED RHINE BRIDGENEAD.

THE RUSSIAN FRONT: TWO SOVIET ARMIES DROVE ON VIENNA: PENETRATED WIENER NUESTADT, BRATISLAVA AND SEMMERING PASS IN AUSTRIAN ALPS, 32 MILES INSIDE COUNTRY: HITLER SENT PERSONAL BODYGUARD TO MOBILIZE AUSTRIAN CAPITAL; RED ARMY TROOPS ADVANCED ON BROAD FRONT IN SLOVAKIA.

THE ITALIAN FRONT: BRITISH EIGHTH ARMY TROOPS LANDED BEHIND GERMAN LINES BETWEEN VALLE DI COMACCHIO AND THE ADRIATIC, CAPTURING 200

PRISONERS.

THE PACIFIC FRONT: AMERICANS REACHED EAST SHORE OF OKINAWA, ALMOST TEN DAYS AREAD OF SCHEDULE, BISECTING ISLAND IN TWO DAYS AGAINST SLIGHT RESISTANCE; ENCIRCLEMENT OF ENEMY IN SOUTHERN LUZON VIRTUALLY COMPLETED BY AMERICAN LANDING AT LEGASPI HARBOR ON SOUTHEASTERN TIP OF ISLAND. JR835AEW



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BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS THE WESTERN FRONT LAST (TUE) NIGHT!

21ST ARMY GROUP! ADVANCED TOWARD ZUIDER ZEE AND NORTH SEA IN EFFORT TO TRAP GERMAN ARMY GROUP IN HOLLAND; BRITISH AND AMERICANS COMPLETED CAPTURE OF MUENSTER, MENACED BREMEN AND HANNOVER; AMERICANS MOPPED UP IN

HAMM, RUHR RAIL CENTER; OSNABRUECK TOTTERING.

12TH ARMY GROUP: U.S. FIRST ARMY CLOSED IN ON GERMANS TRAPPED IN
RUHR; EISENHOWER SAID ENCIRCLEMENT WOULD HASTEN WAR'S END; THIRD ARMY
TANKS 160 MILES FROM RUSSIAN LINES, MORE THAN HALF WAY ACROSS WAIST
OF GERMANY IN DRIVE TO BISECT REICH; UNITS 140 MILES FROM BERLIN.

SIXTH ARMY GROUP: U.S.SEVENTH ARMY MENACED NUERNBERG, ADVANCED NORTH

OF STUTTGART; FRENCH FIRST ARMY WIDENED RHINE BRIDGEHEAD NEAR KARLSRUHE. -- DASH--

THE ARMIES IN THE WEST: CANADIAN FIRST ARMY: DROVE NORTH IN HOLLAND, FASHIONING TRAP FOR GERMAN ARMY GROUP.

BRITISH SECOND ARMY: WITH AMERICAN TROOPS, CAPTURED MUENSTER, MENACED BREMEN AND HANNOVER.

U.S. NINTH ARMY: OFFICIALLY REACHED WERRE RIVER, NINE MILES FROM THE

WESER: UNITS HOFFED OF AN ARMY, NORM ARAL CENTER, TOPPLED OTHER RUHR

U.S. FIRST ARMY: CLOSED IN ON GERMANS TRAPPED IN RUHR.

U.S. THIRD ARMY: FOUGHT INSIDE KASSEL, RAIL AND INDUSTRIAL CITY:

SHEARED MORE THAN HALF WAY ACROSS WAIST OF GERMANY, 160 MILES FROM RUSSIAN LINES.

U.S. SEVENTH ARMY: MENACED NUERNBERG, FINALLY CLEARED ASCHAFFENBURG,

ADVANCED NORTH OF STUTTGART.

FRENCH FIRST ARMY: WIDENED RHINE BRIDGEHEAD IN KARLSRUHE AREA.

U.S. DIVISIONS:

SECOND ARMORED: REACHED WERRE RIVER, NINE MILES FROM THE WESER,

THIRD ARMORED: JOINED SECOND ARMORED IN EASTWARD DRIVE.

FOURTH ARMORED: DROVE TO GOTHA, 140 MILES FROM BERLIN, IN THIRD

ARMY PUSH.

FIFTH ARMORED: BEATS WESER RIVER

SIXTH ARMORED: BATTERED EASTWARD ACROSS CENTRAL GERMAN PLAIN,

CROSSES WERRA RIVER SOUTHEAST OF KASSEL.

NINTH ARMORED: BEAT BACK ENEMY ATTACK IN RUHR POCKET.

NINTH ARMORED: MET RESISTANCE IN DRIVE TOWARD NUENBERG.

11TH ARMORED: DROVE EAST IN THIRD ARMY ADVANCE, NEARED GOTHA.

17TH AIRBORNE: MOPPED UP IN MUENSTER.

26TH INFANTRY: CLEARED FULDA, MOVED ON FIVE MILES NORTHEAST.

30TH INFANTRY: DROVE TOWARD WESER RIVER.

42ND INFANTRY: MOPPED UP IN WUERZBURG AREA.

45TH INFANTRY: CAPTURED ASCHAFFENBURG.

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63D INFANTRY: ADVANCED NORTH OF STUTTGART. 80TH INFANTRY: FOUGHT INSIDE KASSEL.

100TH INFANTRY: PUSHED TOWARD HEILBRONN, 26 MILES NORTH OF STUTTGART.

MEN YORK, APRIL 3-(AP)-PAUL VAN ZEELAND. FORMER BELGIAN PRENTER AND NOW ANDASSADOR-AT-LARGE, SAID TODAY THAT HE WOULD SPEND HIS ENTIRE STAY IN THIS COUNTRY OF FIVE DAYS IN WASHINGTON DISCUSSING REPATRIATION OF DEPORTEES AND OTHER DISPLACED CITIZENS OF BELGIUM.

INTERVIEWED ON HIS ARRIVAL FROM PARIS ON AN A.T. C. PLANE, VAN
ZEELAND SAID THE BELGIAN POLITICAL SITUATION WAS "IMPROVING SLOWLY."

OF PARIS, HE SAID: "I WAS THERE SUNDAY HIGHT AND SAV THE LIGHTING D
THE ARG DE TRIOMPHE, WHICH WAS BEAUTIFUL BETOND DESCRIPTION AFTER THE
DARKNESS OF HORE THAN FOUR YEARS."

VAN ZEELAND WAS NET AT LA GUARDIA FIELD BY HIS WIFE AND THREE GHILDREN, WHO HE HAD NOT SEEN SINGE HE LEFT HERE IN JANUARY. HD725PEU APR 4 1945